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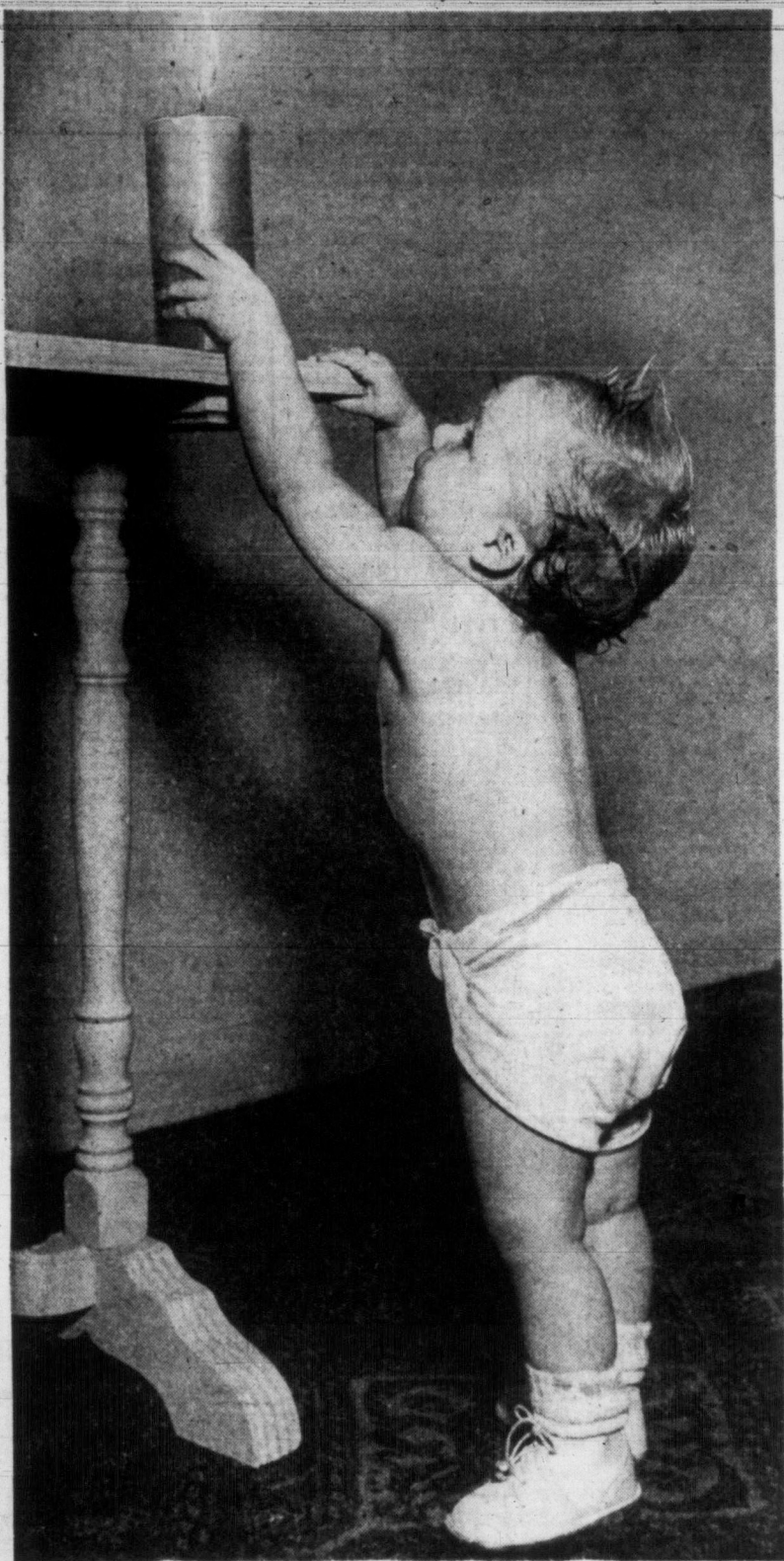
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First Baby of '53 All Set for '54

Happy New Year and Happy Birthday are one and the same for tiny Constance Doreen Joyce Drake, who was born in St. Joseph's Hospital at 1.03 a.m., Jan. 1, 1953. Her birthday candle might well serve as symbol for bright

and shining New Year for all. Constance is daughter of PO and Mrs. Ian Drake, Aloha Avenue, Esquimalt Lagoon. Father plays in Naden band. (Times photo by Irving Strickland.)

### 3 Contestants to Share \$275 Crossword Award

After eight weeks of "frustration" Times crossworders really went to work on puzzle No. 40 and three people came up with correct answers.

They are:  
Miss E. Thomas, 1760 Denman Street.

Roy B. H. Ralfe, 805 Heywood Avenue.  
Miss R. Carson, Ladysmith, V.I.

Since they are all regular subscribers to The Times they share equally in the prize money of \$275 offered for the puzzle. Each gets \$91.70 as a new year award. Miss Thomas has been a hard worker at the puzzles since they first appeared in The Times while Mr. Ralfe has been seeking

ing the correct word combination for only two months.

Both were surprised when informed they had submitted the correct answers, Mr. Ralfe saying it was "luck" and Miss Thomas replying "my gosh."

Correct solution to the puzzle is on page 23.

### SCAN CLASSIFIED FOR FREE PASSES TO ICE CYCLES

If you'd like a free ticket to the Ice Cycles of 1954 at the Memorial Arena next week, study today's classified advertisement section in The Times. You may find your name hidden among the ads. If you do you are entitled to two reserved seats for the ice show. All you do is clip your name from the paper and appear, with proper identification, at the main classified counter at the Douglas and Hillside office. Check the classified now for your name!

### Elwell Quits

Sgt. Eric Elwell, veteran Saanich policeman, quit the force today. He is the third member of the department to resign in the last week.

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### BEFUDDLED? BE CAREFUL, CALL A COP

City police today renewed their Christmas offer to partying drivers who might imbibe too freely tonight. "We'll drive them home," said Chief John Blackstock. Any driver in Victoria can get a helping hand to avoid accident, just by calling G 4111.

### Thimayya Takes Over PW Screening

Allies, Reds Not Notified

PANMUNJOM, Korea (UP)—The Indian custodian command suddenly reopened the prisoner repatriation program today without notifying the United Nations command and announced that 135 anti-Communist Chinese had decided to go home.

Without advance notice, the Indians started "screening" 4,385 anti-Communist Chinese, most of whom already had rejected repatriation during the period of interviews which ended December 23.

An Indian spokesman said further screenings will be held starting Saturday or Sunday.

It was expected that the Indians also would screen Communist-captured prisoners who had refused repatriation, including 22 Americans and one Briton. Lt. Gen. K. S. Thimayya, Indian chairman of the neutral nations repatriation commission, had announced he planned to ask each of the Americans individually if he wanted to go home.

The Communist command, as well as the UN command, was left in ignorance of today's screening, it was announced.

## Hope Is Watchword As '54 Approaches

### World Will Relax; Leaders Cheerful

(Compiled From AP Dispatches)

There is something new in the world tonight. Optimism. Since the end of the Second World War eight years ago, what with the cold war and the shooting ones, there hasn't been much room for optimism. In some areas the hot wars continue. There is still conflict aplenty between the worlds of Democracy and Communism. In spite of all this, however, there is mounting optimism that 1953 has laid a firm foundation for better things for mankind, that 1954 may be even another step towards world peace and contentment.

Keynoting the optimism, Sir Winston Churchill, from London, says the free world's growing strength and peace aims have reduced the possibility of a third world war. "During the past 12 months," he told the Primrose League, a Conservative Party organization, in a New Year's message, "Her Majesty's government has dedicated itself to its proclaimed tasks of winning peace abroad and rebuilding the foundations of our national life at home." "The growing strength of the free world, coupled with its desire to reach just and honorable agreements, has reduced the possibility of international conflict."

### Champagne Will Flow in Moscow

And many planned to gather in churches for watchnight services bidding farewell to the old year and praying for the peace, health and prosperity that 1953 did not assure.

Only 900 miles from the north pole, at Thule, Greenland, the men at the most isolated United States base will be entertained by Arthur Godfrey and 11 of his entourage.

Despite estimates that it would cost most of a \$100 bill at New York's swankier night spots to see the old year out, most managers expected to hang out the standing-room-only sign early. The city's night clubs, taverns and hotels took out 3,402 special "all night" permits to let guests tinkle past the regulation 4 a.m. deadline. It was the greatest number ever issued.

Police prepared for the traditional midnight turnout in Times Square. Last year the crowd was estimated at 200,000 people, perhaps due to its television coverage.

European restaurants and night clubs reported sell-out business at sky-high prices.

In London's Piccadilly Circus, the statue of Eros, traditional climbing point for celebrating Britons, was boarded over. Scores of police were stationed there and in nearby Trafalgar Square, where a huge Christmas tree given to London by Oslo was to be illuminated until after midnight.

In Scotland the usual hogmanay hilarity will ring out the old and ring in the new. Scotch whisky, and the complicated Georgia Street shortly after 9 custom of "first-footing" are the main features.

### ABOUT OUR PRINCESS SHIPS

## Only Winter Day Boat Might Go—Wheaton

If a Victoria Chamber of Commerce proposal for a new Saanich Peninsula-Vancouver fast ferry service is adopted it might mean the Vancouver-Victoria day boat would cease during the winter months, but not the night boat, nor the triangle service in the summer time.

Chamber president George H. Wheaton emphasized this today, declaring the proposed new service would supplement, not supersede, present services.

He said a nostalgic feature article in The Times Wednesday about the Princess ships' "picture book" entry into Victoria's harbor might have given a misleading impression in this regard.

"Chamber of Commerce would certainly oppose any suggestion to discontinue the night-boat service or the triangle run during the tourist season," Mr. Wheaton said. And he saw "little likelihood of this happening as long as public support results in satisfactory volume of traffic."

The new service recommended to CPR vice-president William Manson simply "would re-establish, but with greater adequacy and versatility, a service once provided by the Sidney-Steveston ferry."

Continued Mr. Wheaton: "There has been no suggestion that Vancouver boat service from the Inner Harbor be discontinued, except for the daytime service during the winter months. At present the day boats are running during the winter season with fewer passengers than crew members and much of our auto and freight traffic is moving via Nanaimo. The proposed new service would alleviate this situation during the winter, and would be a welcome addition to the triangle service in the tourist season. It is believed also, that much of the daytime traffic from such a service would use the night boat either coming or going."

## IWA at Prince George Reject Lord Proposals

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C. (CP)—Members of the striking International Woodworkers of America CIO-CCL at Prince George have voted to reject the settlement proposals of Judge Arthur E. Lord, union officials announced today.

The vote was 657 against and 56 for acceptance. Balloting started Monday at Prince George and other northern interior points.

Judge Lord of Vancouver, was appointed by the provincial labor department to inquire into the 15-week strike in the northern interior. Some 1,600 IWA members are on strike and another 3,500 workers have been made idle by the dispute.

The county court judge recommended an immediate

5½-cent hourly wage increase but rejected the union's demand for a union shop and compulsory checkoff of dues.

The IWA policy committee recommended rejection of the settlement proposal.

The union originally demanded an 18-cent hourly pay hike.

Judge Lord will also carry out a similar investigation into the southern interior woodworkers' strike early in January. The exact date of the probe will not be set until results of voting in the northern area are completed.

### Veterans' Doctor Was Victim Of Fire on Train

PEMBROKE, Ont. (BUP)—Dr. H. A. Collins, 61, administrative medical officer at the veterans' pavilion at Ottawa, died of suffocation in the CNR train fire near here Wednesday.

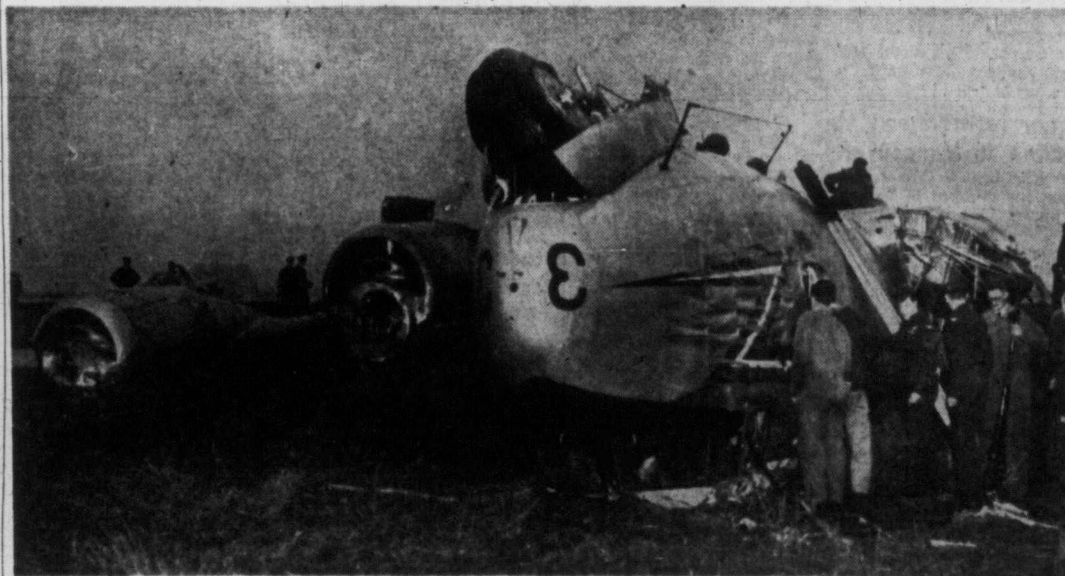
Charles Faucault, 31, who was found screaming beside a burning mattress in his compartment, insisted today that he had fallen asleep while smoking but police said the possibility of arson remained under investigation.

The fire panicked 18 other passengers in the pullman.

### Vancouver Officer Picks Up Escapade

VANCOUVER (BUP)—Anders Berg, 55, who slipped away from a work gang at the British Columbia penitentiary last Tuesday afternoon, was recaptured on a downtown city street early today, police reported.

A department spokesman said Berg did not put up a struggle when captured in the 200 block Georgia Street shortly after 9 a.m. He was spotted by an unidentified beat constable.



RCAF Opens Inquiry Into Crash of Airliner at Vancouver

Air force investigators examined a demolished North Star transport plane today at Vancouver and agreed "only a miracle" saved the 52 persons aboard from death or serious injury when it crash-landed on a runway at International Airport Wednesday. They were at a loss to explain the crash, which left bits and pieces of the four-engine plane strewn along a

100-yard path. One wing was torn off completely and the fuselage was flipped on its back as shown in the above picture. Only the pilot, Ft. Lieut. John Evans of New Westminster, was hurt. He was badly cut on the head and placed in the RCAF hospital at Sea Island. Among the passengers were FO Frank Player and his bride of Victoria. (See Page 2 for picture.)



It sez somethin' fer Canada that we still wish each other a new year that will be happy. In some parts of the earth jest livin' on into it is figgered an achievement.

Since there's somethin' t' fear but fear, let's jest make a resolution t' be resolute.

One thing we kin be sure ov, it won't be quite th' way we were sure it'd be.



## Mather Sees Rails Economy Weakening

Situation Perplexes,  
Says CPR President

MONTREAL (CP)—President W. A. Mather of Canadian Pacific Railway Company in a year-end statement says 1953 showed a "growing imbalance between the generally higher level of economic activity and railway revenues."

One of the "most significant and perplexing features" of Canadian business and industry was "an expanding economy in which rail transport continues to play an increasingly important role despite growing impairment of the railway industry's financial position," he said Wednesday.

An adverse trend in net earnings has resulted in failure of "attracting on favorable terms" the capital needed for expansion and improvement of services and has necessitated "a decision to defer a part of our maintenance program."

The trend to lessened earnings "reflects the serious implications for rail transport in the national economy of a transportation policy based on legislative and other restrictions inappropriate to modern competitive conditions."

"Notable among the factors which have restricted net rail earnings of Canadian Pacific in 1953 to the unsatisfactorily low level of somewhat less than three per cent on investment in the rail enterprise, are wage increases implemented during the year, growing truck competition in respect of high-value freight traffic and a decline in the volume of traffic."

During the year orders were placed for modern, streamlined passenger cars, enough for 15 complete trains, for the transcontinental service.

### New Arena Planned

WINNIPEG (CP)—Tentative plans for a new hockey arena here to accommodate 11,000 persons were announced today by Culver Riley, president of Winnipeg Enterprises Ltd., builders this year of Winnipeg Stadium, home of the Blue Bombers' football club.



FO Frank Player and Mrs. Player

## Victoria Officer and Bride Survive North Star's Crash

Two Victorians were among the 51 persons who miraculously escaped death in a spectacular air crash at Vancouver airport Wednesday.

Returning to North Bay, Ontario, where he is stationed, was Flying Officer Frank Player and his bride of Dec. 5, the former Miss Sylvia Welch.

The two were passengers aboard the disabled RCAF North Star which ripped off a wing and cartwheeled into tangled wreckage while landing at the airport. Forty-nine passengers and eight crew members escaped serious injury in the accident.

FO Player had been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Player, 2604 Blackwood, during his one-month leave.

FO Player was formerly a student at St. Louis College and worked in the B.C. Hospital Insurance Commission previous to joining the air force two years ago.

The mine-mill union was ousted from the CCL and CIO in 1950 for allegedly adhering to the Communist party line.

Al King, president of the Trail local, announced the decision Wednesday night.

Mr. King's announcement followed a bid from Charles Millard, Canadian president of the United Steel Workers of America (CIO-CCL), that the Trail local leave mine-mill and join his organization.

USWA was defeated by mine-mill in a certification vote in 1952. Mr. Millard's offer followed announcement of mine-mill locals at Butte, Mont., that they were quitting mine-mill and applying to the steelworkers for union charters.

Bryers, winner of the DFC in the Second World War, is survived by his widow and three children, Tozer by his widow.

## Navy Promotion List Includes Ex-Victorians

Haddon, Arnison and  
McClure, Captains

Included in the half-yearly Royal Canadian Navy promotions list, announced today, are four former Victorians.

Three former Victorians will be promoted to the rank of captain. They are: Cmdr. Philip E. Haddon, 42, director of personnel (men), naval headquarters; Cmdr. (E) Alfred B. Arnison, 54, principal naval overseer, Quebec area; and Cmdr. (S) Donald McClure, 38, HMCS Niobe as technical representative (supply) at Belfast, Northern Ireland (HMCS Bonaventure).

Another Victorian to receive a promotion—to ordnance commander—is Ordinance Lieut. (Cmdr.) (Acting Ordinance Commander) Arthur G. Freeman, 54, on staff of director general of naval ordnance, Ottawa, as director of fire control.

Others to receive promotions in the list are:

**CAPTAIN**  
Cmdr. (Acting Captain) Alexander B. F. Fraser-Harris of Halifax and Ottawa.

**CAPTAIN (E)**  
Cmdr. (E) Edward N. Clarke of Vancouver and Halifax.

**COMMANDER**

Lieut. Cmdr. Kenneth Birt-whistle of Charlottetown; Lieut. Cmdr. Francis J. Jones of Hamilton, Ont.; Lieut. Cmdr. Maurice F. Oliver of Halifax; Lieut. Cmdr. Frederick W. H. Bradley of Ottawa; Lieut. Cmdr. Daniel Hannington of Saint John; Lieut. Cmdr. William P. Hayes of Swift Current, Sask.

**COMMANDER (E)**  
Lieut. Cmdr. Robert J. Craig of Hamilton, Ont.

**COMMANDER (L)**  
Lieut. Cmdr. (L) B. F. Gut-torson of Winnipeg and Ottawa; Lieut. Cmdr. (L) Bevis E. E. Miles of Hamilton, Ont.; Lieut. Cmdr. Robert M. Battles of North Bay and Ottawa; Lieut. Cmdr. (L) Ralph R. Hund of Weyburn, Sask.

**SURGEON COMMANDER**

Surgeon Lieut. Cmdr. (Acting Commander) M. Harvey Little of Haliburton, Ont., and Halifax; Surgeon Lieut. Cmdr. Robert F. Hand, of Halifax.

**ACTING SURGEON CMDR.**  
Surgeon Lieut. Cmdr. John W. Green of Toronto.

**COMMANDER (S)**  
Lieut. Cmdr. (S) Kenneth M. Roy, of Ottawa; Lieut. Cmdr. (S) D. Alan Collins of Edmonton.

**RESERVE CONSTRUCTOR COMMODORE**  
Constructor Captain (Acting Constructor Commodore) Rowland Baker of Ottawa.

**CONSTRUCTOR CAPTAIN**  
Constructor Cmdr. Horace R. Mason of Ottawa.

**ACTING CAPTAIN**  
Cmdr. George P. Manning of Edmonton.

**COMMANDER**  
Lieut. Cmdr. (Acting Commander) Guy St. A. Mongenais of Montreal; Lieut. Cmdr. (Acting Commander) Liston Burns Melhagga of Winnipeg.

**COMMANDER (E)**  
Lieut. Cmdr. William D. Brown of Montreal.



## Grim Signal of Rescued Pilot

Trapped out in snow of a northern Manitoba lake, message seen above, told RCAF searchers the story of four persons marooned in snow-bound plane for six days. Paul Rickey, 37-year-old Winnipeg bush pilot, right, Mrs. Annanias and her four children were rescued. Day after the forced landing the Indian woman gave birth to a child and, despite heroic efforts by Rickey, the infant died before rescuers came. Rickey suffered shock, frostbite and exhaustion.—(CP photos.)

## Britain's 'Strong Man' To Command NATO Forces

LONDON (CP)—Starting next October, Canadian soldiers in Europe will be under command of Gen. Sir Gerald Templer, Britain's "strong man" in Malaya.

The dynamic 55-year-old general is to become commander of the northern army group, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization unit to which the 5,000-old men of Canada's First Infantry Brigade Group in Germany are attached. This army group, in turn, is under French Marshal Alphonse Juin, commander of Allied land, sea and air forces in Central Europe.

Templer is to succeed Gen. Sir Richard Gale. His new command includes four British divisions, two Belgian corps and a Dutch corps.

Mr. Keate was nominated for the post by representatives of Ubyssy, the paper published by the University of British Columbia, which is Mr. Keate's alma mater.

The Canadian University Press Association consists of representatives from some 20 university newspapers.

## POLICE HOLD THREE

## Bandits Wake Man At 2 a.m.; Get \$450

CAMPBELL RIVER—Two local men and a juvenile, who robbed a Thurlow Island store-keeper of \$450 at gunpoint Wednesday, have been taken into custody, according to RCMP.

Arrested after an air and sea search were William Mould, Fred Strickland, and a 17-year-old youth.

Victim of the robbery was Garnet Bergman, who operates a store at Shoal Bay, 30 miles north of here. He told police he was awakened at 2 a.m. Wednesday by three men who wanted help in repairing their boat. As he opened the door, he said, he was covered by a shotgun, and the money was taken.

The men ran to a waiting speedboat and escaped. Later it was learned they had gone to Heriot Bay on Quadra Island, where Strickland was arrested.

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## U.S. PW Released by Soviet Brings Back Word of Canadian

### FIRE DESTROYS HOUSEBOAT, DAMAGES SIDNEY PILE DRIVER

SIDNEY—A houseboat owned by logging operator Ernest Tingstad was destroyed by fire Wednesday at Shoal Harbor, and a B.C. Pile Driving Co. pile driver was damaged.

The fire started in the houseboat, where the owner was painting the interior, when a can of paint dropped on the stove. Damage was estimated at several thousand dollars.

The pile driver was set afire by the drifting houseboat, but Sidney and North Saanich volunteer firemen, who answered the alarm, were able to avert serious damage.

## Many Mourners Pay Respects To C. E. Whitney-Griffiths

Last tributes were paid today to one of southern Vancouver Island's best-known agricultural figures, Charles E. Whitney-Griffiths.

Funeral services were held this afternoon in Haywards' chapel, Rev. H. M. Bolton officiating in the presence, in addition to immediate survivors, of a large gathering of friends and former associates.

A pioneer in farmers' organizations here, Mr. Whitney-Griffiths was prominent in the founding of the Farmers' Institute of B.C. and in organization of the Vancouver Island Turkey Improvement Association.

He was president of the Metchoshin Farmers' Institute for 14 years, prominent in business as

a director of the Montreal Life Insurance Co., and an active lodge man, being a life Mason.

A Metchoshin pioneer, deceased, with his brother, purchased 120 acres of virgin forest in the district in 1910, clearing 75 acres of it by hand. They raised purebred Shropshire and Southdown sheep and later founded a successful turkey-raising industry.

Born in Wales, Mr. Whitney-Griffiths came to Canada in 1906, settling on the prairies with his brother for two years, then going to the Yukon, mining there for two years before coming to the coast. The two built a log cabin at Albert Head before their extensive enterprise in Metchoshin.

Surviving are his wife, a brother, William, two nephews and a niece.

**ST. JOHN'S**  
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Holy Communion  
(Followed by Service of Blessing)  
11.15 p.m.—  
Watch Night Service  
of Holy Communion

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NEW YEAR'S DAY AT THE VICTORIA GOSPEL HALL, 935 PANDORA AVE.  
2.30 and 7 p.m.  
You Are Cordially Invited

BERLIN (CP)—Pte. Homer Cox, one of two American prisoners released by the Russians two days ago after years in detention camps, reported today that he had met an RCAF group captain, Roy L. Linder, at a repatriation camp.

Cox said he did not know Linder's hometown but remembered Linder's wife, Inge, lived in Stockholm and her brother, a Mr. Sanderberg, was editor of a newspaper there.

Linder had been in Soviet hands about four years, Cox said.

He said the Canadian had told him he expected to be set free any moment, but later was told the authorities were "awaiting special word from Moscow" and was still in the camp when Cox left for Berlin.

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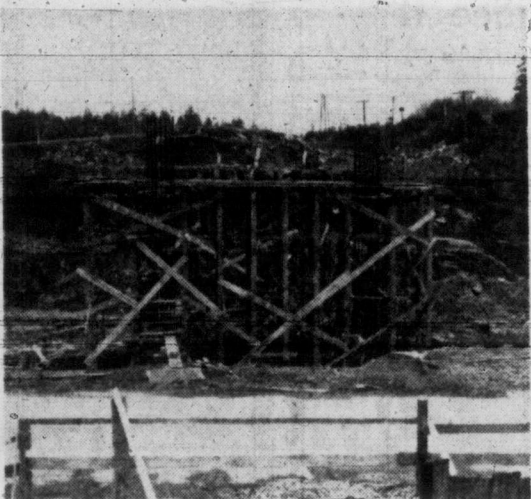
*In cocktails*—any mixed drink in which rum may be used will taste better than ever when the rum is Captain Morgan De Luxe.

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The provincial public works department today awarded the contract for construction of the second portion of Victoria's new Island Highway outlet, from the north end of Burnside to Goldstream, to Emil Anderson Company of Vancouver. The bid was \$1,018,914. Work will start almost immediately. Above pictures show sections of first section, from



Douglas Street. Left picture is taken looking up-island from a point close to intersection with Douglas Street. First paving has been completed. Middle picture shows bridge under construction over Colquitz Creek and Interurban Road. The span will carry traffic across deep gully. Right picture shows large rock-cut near Helmcken Road, looking west-



ward. Water mains are still being laid. This portion has no pavement but is being traveled. Second section of outlet will start near intersection of Burnside Road and the Island Highway, head towards Thetis Lake, passing it at the south end, then go in a fairly direct line through virgin country across Millstream Road and Brock Road. It will then skirt

the south end of Florence Lake and proceed through a saddle just north of the highway along the side of Langford Lake. The new road will join the old in the vicinity of the berry farm at Goldstream. The existing highway will be widened up to the foot of the Malahat. The second section is 6.2 miles long and the first 4.5.

## Jailed Pole Fugitive Pleads for Freedom

Languishing in Vancouver Prison, Desperate Man Plans Hunger Strike

Richard Nowalinski, 30-year-old "man without a country," a former Polish national who has been held by Canadian immigration authorities in Vancouver since last July, told the Times today he will "go on a hunger strike next week . . . I'm desperate . . . I'm in bad shape."

By long-distance "phone"—the first call he said he had received in his six months' incarceration in a small cell atop the immigration department building—he said he hadn't been allowed outside since his imprisonment. "It's terrible," he said. "Treatment has been bad. I don't understand."

Since 1949 when he escaped from behind the Iron Curtain he has spent most of his time at sea or in jail—jails of five of the free western nations. Before that he was imprisoned by both the Polish and Russian Communists.

He has consistently jumped ships bound for behind the Iron Curtain. Without a passport, he can't land anywhere. And he can't go back to Red-dominated countries for obvious reasons.

### FAMILY VANISHED

Married, with a child, he has not seen his family in Poland since 1949.

"Nobody knows where they are now."

Last June he jumped ship in Vancouver when he heard the vessel was bound for Siberia. For three weeks he worked in Victoria for the Victoria Tug & Barge Co. as a tugboat engineer. He was arrested here.

Said W. W. McGregor, company manager: "Mr. Nowalinski is the type we want in this country. His imprisonment is a crying shame. Canada should set an example of tolerance and understanding in the case. He obviously wants to be a free man. If we force him back to the Reds, we'll have blood on our hands. I'll vouch for him any day of the week."

"I hope to God the people in charge of the case do what is right."

### OTTAWA APPROVED

The ship he left was the Norpol and the agency for the ves-

sel was the Vancouver firm, Seaboard Shipping. An offer by the two Victoria persons to post a bond for Mr. Nowalinski's release for the Christmas season was approved by Ottawa through efforts of Maj. Gen. G. R. Pearkes, VC, MP (P.C.-Esquimalt-Saanich). But it was reported the shipping agency turned down the request.

A spokesman for the agency today disclaimed all knowledge of the affair. "It's all Dutch to me. I don't know who has the ship under charter. We loaded it out last time, but now have nothing more to do with it," he said.

### IT'S A MYSTERY

Mrs. William Rogers, volunteer Victoria immigration worker interested in the case, said that she had tried to phone the jailed man several times but couldn't get through to him. "I can't get to the bottom of this thing," she said.

The Times' phone call to Mr. Nowalinski went through promptly, but there was a three-minute break in the connection, unexplained. The interruption came when the question, "Have you been treated worse by western countries than you had been in Poland?" was being asked.

His answer when connections had been re-established: "I can't go back to Poland and I'd love to stay in Canada, but I'm confused about everything . . ."

### GUARANTEE OFFER

Mrs. Rogers said: "If I could get him out and keep him here until another ship that will take him arrives, I would guarantee he won't run away."

Meanwhile, the immigration department prisoner says he "can't sleep and can't eat. I'm in terrible shape."

As is usual in such cases, the imprisoned man has received no hearing by the department.

## HAPPY TAX DAY, MAYORAL WISH FOR NEW YEAR

Mayor Claude Harrison today issued the following new year's message:

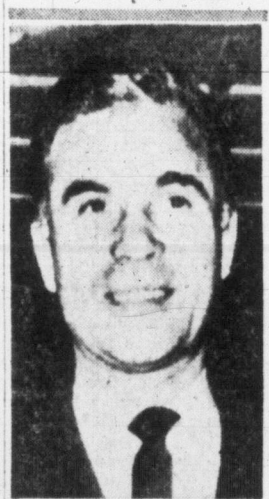
"May we have steady progress rather than a flash in the pan."

"May we be patriotic enough to temper our demands, compatible with our finances."

"May we keep our taxpayers from an increase of taxes, and may we march forward as a strong and friendly city amongst our sister cities."

"Those our my wishes and hopes for the new year."

"I wish you all a happy and prosperous year and may God bless and be with each and every one of you."



**BARBARA'S FIFTH**—The New York City marriage license clerk cast a skeptical eye today on the Spanish-language wedding ceremony which united Woolworth heiress Barbara Hutton and Latin playboy Porfirio Rubirosa (above) in the Park Avenue home of the Dominican consul-general. The clerk, Murray Stand, said that because they did not get a marriage license the couple could not be considered legally married as far as New York State law is concerned. Meanwhile, in Las Vegas, Nevada, Zsa Zsa Gabor predicted that Porfirio will be back wooing her "in a couple of weeks." She waved a letter and said: "He wrote this . . . and it says, 'Very soon, my love, I'll be with you again.'"

## FIVE TIMES 'ROUND THE WORLD Veteran Postie on Last Walk

By TONY DICKASON

Fifty-nine-year-old George Church has walked around the world approximately five times in the last 41 years.

Retiring today from the post office, Mr. Church has averaged 10 miles daily during his employment as a letter carrier.

This is better than 3,000 miles a year.

The affable soon-to-be pensioner today had his last "walk" as P.O. men term it. He has had four "walks" during his tenure, the longest in the downtown area, 27 years. His present route is in Oak Bay.

Bane of a postman's life, if any? "Dogs," said Mr. Church emphatically, "are the biggest troublemakers."

He recalled that, oddly enough, over the years he had never been bitten—until last year, that is.

"I had known this dog for seven years, and petted him every day. Then he bites me," Mr. Church recalled.

A veteran of World War I and a resident of Victoria since 1912, Mr. Church was born in Hampshire, England, and lives here at 1736 Ruby Road.

He has an acre of land there and plans to raise flowers, "in a small way" in the years ahead.



GEORGE CHURCH

## 'Barley Boat' Soon to Sail

The first eight carloads of Canadian barley will leave Canada for Pusan, Korea, and that country's starving children before January 15.

Dr. Lotta Hirschmanova, director, Unitarian Service Committee, has reported from Ottawa.

She said: "May I say with my heart filled with gratitude that almost 19,000 famished youngsters will have 'more'

tomorrow during the three hungriest months of this winter, thanks to the kind people of Victoria and Vancouver Island."

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Happy New Year

One and All

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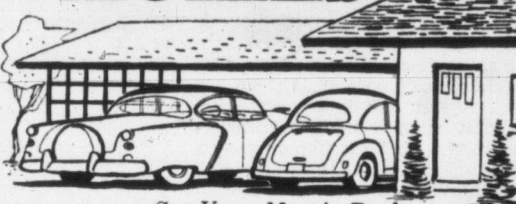
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## Duke Talks to Relatives Of Train Crash Victims

WELLINGTON, N.Z. (AP)—The Duke of Edinburgh today visited Karori cemetery, in the hills on the outskirts of Wellington, where 21 unidentified victims on the Christmas Eve railway disaster were buried early today.

The duke flew 300 miles from Hamilton with Prime Minister Sidney Holland in a special Dakota. After the flight, the duke drove to the cemetery where he placed a wreath of red roses, hydrangeas and arum lilies with a card inscribed "Elizabeth R. and the Duke of Edinburgh."

Crossing to the other side of the mass grave after the service, the duke spent 10 minutes talking to relatives of the victims.

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## A.D. 1953

ONE EVENT DOMINATED ALL others in the year now ending. The death of Josef Stalin seemed to mark the passing not of a man but of an era. For the first time since the war a statesman as able as Sir Winston Churchill saw the chance to negotiate an agreement with Russia. His speech of May 10, proposing a direct conference with Mr. Malenkov, marked a watershed in Western policy, from which flowed the subsequent currents of the year.

But they did not flow as Sir Winston had hoped. Mr. Malenkov's early protestations of peace were followed by the familiar threats against the free world. The United States remained skeptical of Russia's intentions and rejected the project of a Big Three conference until they were better known.

Meanwhile Mr. Malenkov had his own troubles. The eruption of angry and hungry mobs in East Germany suddenly proved that Russia's hold on its conquered European satellites could be maintained only by force, that communism as a theory of life had failed utterly among the Germans. Russia could subdue them with tank and machine gun. It could not convert them. And the overwhelming electoral victory of the Adenauer Government in West Germany — a Government pledged to co-operation with the West — was the gravest diplomatic defeat suffered by Russia since the Ribbentrop-Molotov agreement of 1939.

In all this torrent of events the abiding mystery of the Kremlin remained. Had Stalin's aggressive policy begun to die with him? Did Mr. Malenkov actually control the new government or was it an uneasy and quarrelling coalition of ambitious men as the murder of Lavrenti Beria seemed to indicate? And was the Kremlin now so obsessed with the internal problems of a poor and restive nation that it had no time or energy left for foreign adventures?

When the Big Three of the Western world met in Bermuda those questions were still unanswered but at least a break of some sort had come in the long stalemate. Russia had rejected and then suddenly, without explanation, agreed to a foreign

ministers' conference to discuss the intractable problem of German reunification. That conference, a few days hence, may prove the great watershed of 1954.

Meanwhile, in 1953, the grand alliance of the free peoples had encountered and largely surmounted a dangerous period of friction and disagreement. It arose mainly out of another aspect of the power struggle — the long-standing, inconclusive and doubtful Korean truce. Through obvious bungling and inadequate preparation in Washington, the United States found itself directly opposed to the Commonwealth and most of the free world on the question of India's admission to the proposed Korean peace conference.

Russia's delight at this spectacle was not disguised, but the triumph of Mr. Vishinsky in the United Nations did not last long. The United States hastily contrived a compromise accepted by its partners in Korea. The peace settlement, however, seemed as far away as ever at the year's end; all negotiations were at a standstill and in this lull the communists suddenly lunged through Indo-China to the borders of Thailand.

What this meant in relation to Korea, to the whole communist strategy in Asia and to the struggle elsewhere it is impossible to know yet. Certainly it supported the view of the American and British governments that the powder of the Grand Alliance must be kept dry in the arsenal of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and that the future of the European Defence Community, too long evaded, must be settled in Paris without further delay.

The year thus ends with some slight drop in the world's hectic fever chart, with the prospect of a conference in Berlin, with President Eisenhower's imaginative attempt to break the atomic deadlock but with no assurance of real progress in the life-and-death crisis of mankind.

It ends, too, with the remembered brilliance of a young Queen's coronation. Its accompanying expressions of loyalty from the distant parts of a changing Commonwealth reflect a unique element of cohesion lending strength to a tired world.

## As Our Readers See It

### SAINT IN POLITICS

In a recent article, Dorothy Thompson said: "The shock of the great depression, accompanied as it was by vast suffering, at least released ideas. People who felt that something had to be done also believed that something could be done..." The most humane of such ideas was that of the late J. S. Woodsworth ("The Saint in Politics"). Bruce Hutchison (Times, Nov. 14) who knew that something could be done. He was mainly responsible for the amalgamation of several groups of realistic thinkers into one political movement — the CCF. Its slow but steady progress, in spite of bitter opposition by status quo government supporters, is ancient history.

To those wishing to make New Year resolutions (with a new depression threatening) may I recommend the reading of Grace MacInnis' biography of her father, GEOFFREY LE GALLAIS, 2634 Cranmore Road, Oak Bay.

### USED STAMPS

Probably there are readers who would like to know that used stamps can be put to good use. Simply soak them off the envelopes, being careful not to tear the perforation. Keep them until you have at least one ounce (ask friends to save them for you also) and mail to "Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Children, Hackney Road, London E2, England." The stamps are sold and proceeds used for a research fund for the direct benefit of their patients.

(Mrs.) J. E. BROWN,  
5417 West Saanich Road.

### SENATE REFORM

As there is a rapidly growing resentment across Canada over the composition of our Senate body, do you not agree that the time has very definitely arrived for a new plan which will restore confidence of the electors in our upper house?

At the present time one party outnumbers the other by some nine or 10 to one and the rumored suggestion that a few members of other parties should be appointed to offset the agitation for some reform of some kind is simply not good enough.

While it is likely that the public would not object to the appointment of a third of the Senate for meritorious service to our country the other two-thirds should most definitely be elected by the people and thereby restore confidence in our upper house.

The two-thirds could be elected for a period of six years; a third at a time every three years.

I happen to know, Mr. Editor, that some influential members of the Liberal party think that the time is overdue for a change even if an amendment to the BNA Act is necessary.

FRANK G. MULLINER,  
1045 Joan Crescent.

### EARLY ART EXHIBITS

The Provincial Archives may, or may not, be interested in the first art association formed in British Columbia, in which days neighboring Vancouver could have been little more than a village. Following is an old local press letter written by my father.

Both he and grandfather had in their youth been pupils of Landseer.

GLADYS SHRAPNEL.

### "THE FINE ARTS"

"A British Columbia Art Association was inaugurated in Victoria some 18 years ago, of which I had the honor to be first president.

"Our first exhibition was opened by the late Hon. John Robson, then premier, and proved quite a success.

"The association consisted of twenty active and about forty honorary members. Several exhibitions were given, one mostly of loan paintings, showing Victorians were not without sympathy for the object which you are at present endeavoring to advance.

I sincerely hope that the new association recently started in Vancouver will meet with every success, but at the same time I hardly think, under the circumstances, that Vancouver should lay claim to be the first to inaugurate the British Columbia Art Association.

E. SCROPE SHRAPNEL, RCA."

### DUMPING REGULATIONS

Your editorial of Monday, Dec. 14, called "The Government's Retreats" is one that has no doubt caused much discussion among your readers. In this particular instance you have given what appears to be a fair valuation of the situation.

It is disquieting to learn from you that the recent tariff and anti-dumping laws on textiles were brought into being, not because they would benefit Canadians as a whole but because, to quote you "The interests and political pressures of the textile industry in Ontario and Quebec proved strong enough to cause a vital change in the government's policy." It is even more disquieting to the people of Canada to learn that not one of the 170 Liberal members in the House of Commons had the courage to stand up and vote against this departure from Liberal principles.

As a Conservative, I believe there are some industries whose products, necessary to the life and growth of Canada, must be protected against unfair foreign competition. If we permitted surplus goods to be dumped here many of our industries would disappear, causing loss of employment to labor, loss of savings of tens of thousands of small investors (who actually own these companies) and loss of independence which would soon manifest itself in higher prices from abroad, prices which would be raised as soon as competition in Canada had ceased.

The tariff and anti-dumping legislation passed at the last session of the House of Commons is so vaguely worded that dictatorial powers had to be given the Minister of Customs so that it could be enforced. The act is not clear and will present baffling problems to both the importer and the exporter. However, it is a step in the right direction and it is unfortunate that it was taken, as you have pointed out, for the wrong reason.

The policies of the Conservative party are best for the welfare of the people of Canada and it is gratifying to see the present government adopt them.

J. A. A. GEORGE,  
1229 St. Patrick Street.

## Sunset of the Year



Near Lunenburg, Alberta.

Nicholas Morask.

## Publisher's Report

THE year just closing has been a hectic one for newspapers. At the international level, 1953 will be recalled as "Coronation Year." Nationally and locally, it may well be remembered as "the year of elections." At year's end, John Q. Voter was reeling under the assaults of four distinct campaigns — but he was still on his feet and grinning.

Indeed, one of the most salutary effects of this election-happy year might well have been the notable renaissance of interest in politics and the democratic process. Prime Minister St. Laurent, Premier Bennett and the Gunderson-Gregory debate all drew turn-away crowds to the city's largest theatre in 1953. Passions raged, and were subdued. Reckless — and often hilarious — charges were hurled. Plots were hatched. Friendships teetered precariously in the balance.

All this was reasonable, logical and healthy. For it demonstrated that Canadian citizens were prepared to take time out from their sports, the allurements of the movies, the stage and TV, to debate the issues of the day and give serious consideration to the way they voted.

In such crises, newspapers have a great opportunity to exercise one of their fundamental duties — to give information and guidance to their readers, to ventilate the views of dissident parties and to take editorial stands in behalf of the causes they champion.

The Times, we are proud to say, hoisted its flag and let the guns blaze.

In so doing, we made a lot of new

friends, and quite a few enemies. We had some modest successes, and some modest failures. For instance:

● In April, our editor won the National Newspapers Award for the "best editorials of 1952." This was the first time the Toronto Press Club honor had ever been won in Western Canada.

● In June, we opposed the Social Credit party and it was elected. Mr. Bennett publicly gave us the horse-laugh, to the enthusiastic enjoyment of many.

● In August, we supported Liberal Frank Fairley against the Socred candidate. Fairley won by 5,000 votes.

● In November, we backed George Gregory, a neophyte in politics, against Finance Minister Einar Gunderson. Gregory won by 90 votes.

Our political batting average for 1953, therefore, was .666.

● Along the way, we tackled a couple of extra-curricular jobs which gave us deep satisfaction and a warm feeling of rapport with our readers. First, in the spring, was the British-Dutch flood relief campaign. Victorians contributed \$33,000 in three weeks, via Times columns. Then, towards the end of the year, we got behind the Korean war orphans "Bowl of Harley Gruel" drive. In little more than two weeks generous supporters sent in almost \$12,000.

● Our circulation goal for the year was 20,000 copies daily. Last week it averaged just a few papers under 21,000, an all-time high in the 70-year history of

The Times — but still not enough. We hope to merit wider readership in 1954.

The Times has other targets for the forthcoming year. Some of them may be achieved, some may not, but we feel sure the vast majority of our readers will endorse our campaigns for:

● Good clean government across the Bay, regardless of party lines;

● Expansion of school services for Greater Victoria, on the basis of orderly and economic planning;

● Support for Mayor Harrison's "Indian Village" scheme;

● Support for the Chamber of Commerce in its drive for faster boat services;

● Start on a new Point Ellice bridge;

● Expansion and extension of Vancouver Island's roads network;

● Preservation of Buttle Lake as key to the "wilderness heritage" of Strathcona Park;

● Wider support of Victoria Symphony Society, the Arts Centre, Theatre Guild, Folk Festival and other cultural endeavors, which should be planning now for an all-inclusive Community Centre;

● Continued expansion and beautification of our hospitals, churches, and public buildings, as befits a capital city.

There are two or three other projects which we have "up our sleeve" at the moment. We hope, when you hear about them, that you will agree that they reflect credit on this magnificent city.

Meanwhile, many thanks for your interest and support in 1953. We're looking forward to a busy and exciting 1954!

STUART KEATE.

## Canada Enjoys a Boom

In Canada the troubles of the world at large could not halt the largest boom in history. The nation's production and consumption of wealth reached a new high and made Canada the envy of all foreign nations. Nevertheless, organic changes were under way by autumn. Canada, like all other nations, had begun to encounter the first clear signs of a buyer's market, increasing competition abroad and inevitable adjustments in the productive costs of its own economy. How these new conditions will be met must largely determine Canada's economic prospects in the new year.

Unlike some of its partners, Canada was able to maintain a Government in undoubted control of politics. The national election of August gave Mr. St. Laurent an overwhelming, perhaps too large a majority and assured a stable administration for at least four years. At the same time it alarmed all thoughtful Canadians who believe in the two-party system by leaving the Conservative Party as little more than an Ontario rump. The new year should begin to show whether the official Opposition can be revived to play its full part in the future.

## B.C. Finds a Government

This question came to focus in British Columbia. After winning a small but clear majority in the June provincial election, the Social Credit Government made itself the instrument of a national campaign to carry Social Credit into Ottawa, where national government, in the words of Premier Bennett, was to be captured "in two bites."

The first bite was a total failure. Social Credit failed to break eastward from Alberta across the Saskatchewan boundary. It won only four seats in British Columbia. The Conservative Party thus retained its

place as the official Opposition and was given the chance of revival. When the Bennett Government entered its third test of the year, a by-election in Victoria, it suffered an almost unprecedented defeat, clearly indicating that the electors had never voted for the monetary theories of Social Credit or the projected Low-Manning-Bennett march on Ottawa.

The effects of this bitter and salutary experience on the Provincial Government should reveal themselves in the new year when Mr. Bennett obviously must face serious strains within his own official household.

## On the Victoria Stage

Municipally Victoria seemed to reflect on a small local stage the general turbulence of events everywhere.

Caught in a political flash flood, the mayor and three aldermen appeared in a scramble for provincial office which ended with the assistant city clerk winning a legislative seat and provoking the Percy Wright affair.

Beneath the surface, events moved ahead steadily. Victoria shared in general prosperity. Tax collections were high. Building trades were active. The mill rate was lowered half a point from its all time peak. The city followed a course of strict economy and avoided major capital expenditure.

Mayor Harrison was returned to

office, losing in the process three veteran aldermen, but gaining in their places others of valuable municipal experience.

The public's satisfaction with existing regimes appeared general in the community. Men of proven service were re-elected to municipal council and other posts.

Many Greater Victoria problems remained unsolved. Chief among them, probably, was the question of financing new schools. Voters repudiated the form in which they were asked to pay for new buildings but did not necessarily oppose new schools. They must decide shortly what action will be taken to provide sufficient classrooms.

Apart from that issue, personalities rather than events claimed the spotlight locally.

## What People Said in '53

"There is no magic in our fiscal policy. The services required by the Canadian people have to be paid for, but the proportionate load borne by each taxpayer can be reduced so long as we are able to keep up the expansion of our national production and national income."

—Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent.

"They should bury the newspapers for 200 years — or the reporters and editors principally. Then we could have a new crop grow up that would know what's going on in this province."

—Finance Minister Einar Gunderson.

"An impromptu speech is not worth the paper it's written on."

—L. W. Brockington, QC.

"When inhibitions of the ego encroach on the moral domain there is a tendency on the part of psychotherapists to treat them as a kind of fatality, as a tyranny of the effective impulse streaming forth from the soul. One should be slow to lower man... to the level of the brute."

—Pope Pius XII.

"I shall not leave this courtroom alive."

—Ex-Premier Mossadegh.

"Some people think I must have a charmed life, but it's not very charming to be caught out on your veranda without your pants on."

—Thomas James Dunstan, 80, after escaping from a house fire in Victoria West.

"Canadian, I like to think, now means not only a person of any one of a large variety of ancestries and traditions; it means, also, a person who has learned to deal with his neighbors in terms of justice, moderation and tolerance. He may not even pretend to agree with them all, but he accepts the obligation to live with them peaceably, tolerantly and with kindness and understanding."

—Governor-General Vincent Massey.

"I found he's a real Social Creditor, and I came to the conclusion he never was a Tory."

—Health and Welfare Minister Eric Martin, speaking for Premier Bennett.

"We are at present determined to rid our country completely of British occupation and aggression."

—Premier Naguib.

"I have behind me not only the splendid traditions and the annals of more than a thousand years but the living strength and majesty of the Commonwealth and empire, of societies old and new, of lands and races different in history and origins but all by God's will united in spirit and in aim. Therefore I am sure that this, my Coronation, is not the symbol of a power and a splendor that are gone but a declaration of our hopes for the future, and for the years I may, by God's grace and mercy, be given to reign and serve you as your Queen."

—Her Majesty the Queen, Coronation address.

"We Canadians claim the special privilege, as a close neighbor and candid friend, of grousing about our big, our overwhelming partner, and of complaining at some of the less attractive manifestations of her way of life. It makes our own junior status seem relatively superior and helps us forget some of our own problems and mistakes."

—External Affairs Minister L. B. "Mike" Pearson.

"I don't want to be unduly sombre about this, but in this election it's really not too important how your grandfather voted."

—Attorney General Robert Bonner.

"To keep one's umbrella open during a break in the storm never offended the sun."

—French Foreign Minister G. Bidault.

"If it's illegal, that ends it right there."

—Mayor Claude Harrison.

"As far as I'm concerned this legal stuff leaves me cold."

—Alderman Waldo Skillings.

"When the full history of these times is written, when all of the facts have been brought to light, there will be many who will say that the past two presidents of the United States have been the greatest betrayers of humanity."

—Social Credit Leader Solon Low.

"Instead of trying to prevent crime, they incite crime."

—Tom Uphill, Fernie MLA, complaining about "hellish policemen."

"Mr. Bennett has said it will be either Social Credit or chaos. We have the chaos now. Where there was confusion at the last election, there is certainly chaos in this one."

—Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes.

"It would be a mistake to assume that nothing could be settled unless or until everything is settled."

—Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

"We're not a funny money crowd. We're the soundest party in the whole land."

—Premier W. A. C. Bennett.

"I will not stop talking and you can send for a policeman if you like."

—F. E. Winslow, Director Victoria Nursing Home Society.

"We of the NATO countries and the other free nations are banded together, once and for all, in sickness or in health, till — or rather — lest atomic death do us part."

—Adlai Stevenson.

"I'm not against the Times publishing. I just hope enough people cancel their subscriptions so the thing sinks, and under a private enterprise system."

—H. K. "Pat" Bate.

"Out of gratitude to the United States, common sense and wisdom require that we co-operate with the United States at any cost. We must accept anything the U.S. President wants, but to allow Chinese soldiers to stay in our country is similar to a death sentence."

—Korean President Syngman Rhee.

"The government in America is not really master in its own house."

—Opposition Leader Clement Attlee.

"For years people have had the idea that Social Credit was a sort of crackpot mistake that happened just the other side of the Rockies, that it was an epidemic that would never spread to the more civilized parts of Canada."

—Premier Manning of Alberta.

"Let them (the British) withdraw and be damned. Then let us sink any accused ship which is carrying arms to the Communists killing American boys."

—Sen. Joseph McCarthy.

"If ever America needed to be understood and we needed to understand our allies it is now."

—Rep. Alexander Wiley (R. Wis.)

"I suddenly discovered that there was a technique (Social Credit) which to all intents and purposes means you can have your cake and eat it too."

—Noel Murphy, President, B.C. Social Credit League.



## Thoughts on New Year's Eve

IN JUST a few minutes now my friends will be settling out to indulge in that North American tribal ritual called "the New Year's Eve party." They will have wrestled into boiled shirts, punctured their throats with brass studs, growled at their wives, given the kids a perfunctory peck on the cheek and set forth—in the words of the song—"doggedly determined to be gay."



Keate

In a matter of hours they will have acquired a hangover, an overdraft and a suit for divorce. And all this while, little chums, your correspondent will be snuggled up by his fireside—severe, smug, self-righteous and sentimental. If I quaff a quiet horn, it will be to toast the fact that we lived through 1953 and hope, God willing, to make it again in '54.

After awhile, I'll start staring into the fire, thinking of other times, other places. And it will come as a shock to reflect that the most memorable New Year's Eve of my experience was spent just about as far away from human civilization as it's possible to get.

It was (now that I think of it) just 10 years ago tonight, I was being shipped "for passage" as the Navy likes to say, in His Majesty's Canadian corvette Timmins, a beaten-up old bucket on the Milk Run, out of Halifax for Newfoundland. Her captain: Lieutenant Stirling Maxwell, a handsome, pink-cheeked young reservist who had been a social architect in Montreal.

At 11 o'clock on the night of Dec. 31, 1943, I went up on the bridge of the Timmins to see the New Year in. It was a night of haunting loveliness; the gently rolling sea illumined by a moon which was the despair of every ship on the Atlantic.

The Timmins waddled almost aimlessly towards that dot in the ocean where she would discharge her burden and head for the snug cove of St. John's. Darkened and desolate on this festive night, she nevertheless sang her own quiet songs in the stays.

and guy-wires; the asdic recorder thrummed its peculiar thrum to the moon; in the starboard waist a sailor intoned an aching lament on his harmonica.

The young captain conked his ship. Occasionally he would sweep the horizon with his binoculars, murmur a few words into the voice-pipes ranged in front of him. At 11:55 he turned to me with a grin and said: "Well—it's just about time."

At the stroke of midnight there was a whistle in one of the pipes and a remote, other-worldly voice drifted up from the engine room to the bridge:

"Happy New Year, sir!"

The captain stepped forward and cupped his hand over the pipe. "Happy New Year, sir," he replied.

From the wheelhouse: "Happy New Year, sir!"

"Happy New Year!"

From the asdic hut: "Happy New Year, sir!"

"Happy New Year!"

And so it went—each pipe in turn, until every one from each section of the ship, had been heard from. When they were all in, the captain smiled and said: "Now let's go below and celebrate."

His wife had sent him some strong cheese for Christmas, from Montreal. Somebody whistled up some cokes, because you couldn't drink at sea, and we sat there for an hour, eating the strong cheese and drinking, the soft drink, and enjoying ourselves hugely.

It's not much of a story. Maybe it wasn't much of a New Year's. But in retrospect, it seems wonderful because the sea was so clean and so cold, and the night so beautiful. There were no phone-noise-makers, no raucous jazz bands, no drunks, and only warm memories of the girls who used to write on our shirt-fronts with lipstick.

We seemed awfully young, and too innocent for the job we had undertaken. But on New Year's Eve, 1943, our lives seemed to have meaning and purpose. We think about those things now, 10 years later, and give thanks.

## YOUR HEALTH

By DR. WALTER C. ALVAREZ

## Hereditary Diseases

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The American Eugenics Society, of 230 Park Avenue, New York, 17, N.Y., just sent me a paper written by Dr. James V. Neel, head of the Institute of Human Biology at the University of Michigan. Dr. Neel and his colleagues have been doing wonderful work in the field of human genetics. When in the big clinics of the university they find a patient with a peculiar disease, which they know, or suspect, is of hereditary origin, a student will jump in a car and travel all over Michigan and perhaps nearby states looking up the relatives of the patient to see how many of them have either the disease or beginning stages of it, or what is even more interesting and important, strange equivalents of it.



Dr. Alvarez

To show what I mean: a person with pernicious anemia may have an uncle with that same disease, he may have a cousin who died of leukemia (another serious blood disease), and one of his brothers and his mother may be found to have the complete lack of gastric juice which goes with pernicious anemia. One or two members of the family may have become gray by the age of 25, and this appears at times to be an equivalent of the anemia.

Or, one day there may come into the Clinic, a man who is a "bleeder." Several times in his life he has nearly bled to death, or on occasions much blood has oozed into one of his joints. A laboratory study of his relatives may show that some of them carry in latent form a little tendency to the disease. What perhaps wrecked the man was that his mother, who was a carrier of the disease, married a man who was also a carrier. If they had known of their common hereditary tendencies they might have decided not to marry, or at least not to have a lot of children.

## GIVES FIANCE FACTS

The other day I saw two fine young people, who had come to the point where they were thinking of marriage. The girl, very properly, had told the young man that her mother was in an insane asylum, and she feared that if she had several children some might be like one of her less pleasant relatives. When I asked the beau about his family and found that he had some queer relatives, I had to admit that he and the girl were probably wise in not going any further with their thoughts of marriage. I know that they could have a few normal children

but there would always be the chance that even the first one might be a great sorrow to them.

Experts on genetics are now getting to the point where they can tell such young people what the mathematical chances are of their having normal and abnormal children. The only trouble with such figures is that one cannot say whether the abnormal child will be the first or the second or the third or the fourth in a series.

I have here on my desk an article by my friend, Professor Franz Kallmann, of Columbia University, who has spent his life studying the heredity of nervous diseases and he says that every educated layman would suspect that there is 20 times more epilepsy in the relatives of epileptics than there is in the population as a whole. Similarly, every old general practitioner knows that quackness, eccentricity, alcoholism, psychosis, and neurosis runs through some families while it is absent in others. Many people today prefer to deny this; it gives them great comfort, but I prefer to face the statistical facts.

In Dr. Neel's fine article he lists some of the diseases in which heredity is a tremendous factor. For instance, out of 3,181 blind persons in Norway, 49.8 per cent in all probability owe their loss of vision in the inheritance of an injurious hereditary factor.

## DEAFNESS COMMON

In Denmark, 45.5 per cent of the deaf mutes appear to owe their handicap to an inherited factor. Many of us know of families in which deafness of a certain type is common. Everyone knows that a tendency to diabetes mellitus is inherited by hundreds of thousands of people. As Neel points out, although it may be impossible to find among the close relatives of an epileptic anyone who has epilepsy, it may be easy to find more than one with an electroencephalogram showing that the individual carries latent in his brain a tendency to the disease. It will be easy to show, also, that quite a few of the relatives have peculiar nervous troubles which probably are equivalents of epilepsy. Neel often speaks of these people as carriers of epilepsy. They had better not marry another carrier of epilepsy, because then more than one of their children is likely to come to grief.

Neel has pointed out, also, what today is becoming well known, and that is that there are many families in which several of the male members drop dead from heart disease in their forties and fifties. I remember a family in which four generations were filled with men and women who suffered from diabetes and coronary heart disease. Today we are finding that many of these persons have too much cholesterol in the blood.

## WEATHER SYNOPSIS

## VICTORIA'S SUNSHINE RECORD TO DATE, 1953—1,951.3 HOURS

**SYNOPSIS**—The Pacific disturbance that caused rain in the B.C. coastal area Wednesday brought only cloud and a few snow flurries to the interior during the night as it moved eastward over the province.

Another disturbance appears to be developing off the Washington coast this morning and

## Milbank Master Of Queen's Household

LONDON (CP)—Major Mark Vane Milbank, 47, today became master of the Queen's household at Buckingham Palace. He succeeds Lieut.-Col. Sir Piers Legh, who is retiring.

Major Milbank was controller to Field Marshal Earl Alexander, now Britain's defense minister, during his term as Governor General of Canada.

Use aluminum foil in the bottom of the oven to catch spills from fruit pies or baked dishes.

should bring more rain to the southern coast today. In other sections of the province it will continue mild with some cloud. There will be scattered rain showers along the north coast and a few rain and snow showers in the interior.

## DOMINION PUBLIC WEATHER OFFICE 9 A.M. FORECASTS

Forecasts valid until midnight Friday

**VICTORIA**—Cloudy with a few showers today. Not quite so mild tonight. Light winds. Low-high 46 and 47.

**WEST COAST**—Cloudy with occasional showers tonight and Friday. Little change in temperature. Light winds. Low-high at Estevan Point 46 and 48.

**VANCOUVER, GEORGIA STRAIT**—Cloudy with a few showers Friday. Continuing mild. Light winds. Low-high at Vancouver airport and Nanaimo 46 and 48.

## TEMPERATURES

	Min.	Max.	Precip.
St. John's	26	35	—
Halifax	28	43	—
Moncton	—1	40	—
Toronto	18	35	—
Winnipeg	—13	9	—
Regina	—10	16	—
Saskatoon	—14	20	—
Lethbridge	—34	42	—
Calgary	—21	—34	—
Edmonton	—27	—45	—
Kamloops	—35	—27	—
Penticton	—44	—46	—
Vancouver	44	48	—
Victoria	44	48	—
Kimberley	—33	—34	—
Prince Rupert	—35	—43	—
Prince George	—27	—38	—
Port St. John	—5	—34	—
Seattle	44	47	—

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New York 30 48 —  
San Francisco 37 59 —  
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## SUNRISE, SUNSET, FRIDAY

Sunrise — 8:07 Sunset — 16:36

## SUNRISE, SUNSET, SATURDAY

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## TIDES AT VICTORIA (Pacific Standard Time)

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## ISLAND DIGEST

NANAIMO—Don Campbell of Nanaimo Shrine Club staged a one-man show over the holiday at Nanaimo Indian Hospital for the benefit of child patients.

During his two and one-half hour visit he distributed gifts provided by himself and Eddie Miles of Miles Hardware Ltd.

DUNCAN—Mayor J. C. Wragg was master of ceremonies at the annual Christmas party given here by the Moose Lodge for 130 pensioners and other elderly residents of the district.

Mrs. Hugh Clark, 86, was the oldest lady at the party, and Frank H. Carpenter, 90, the oldest man. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marlatt, aged 83 and 82, respectively, were the oldest married couple. They have been married 62 years.

NANAIMO—Private funeral services were held here Wednesday for Alexander Charles McVickers, 86, former resident of Victoria who died at his Parksville home.

He first came to Vancouver Island in 1903 as superintendent of construction for the Empress Hotel. He later established one of Victoria's first antique shops, and opened the Hobby Shop in Parksville in 1942.

PARKSVILLE—A search by RCMP and residents has failed to solve the disappearance of Waldo Williams, 60, bachelor, who has been missing from his French Creek home for more than three weeks.

Fears for his safety were aroused when it was known he had not made his usual visits here to shop and collect mail. Const. Ian Hall and his dog, Rip, took part in the 25-man search near Williams' property.

LADYSMITH—A joint effort by the PTA, Kinsmen Club, and volunteer fire department resulted in 140 bicycles being trimmed with red luminous tape. The safety drive for young bicycle riders was organized by the PTA.

LANGFORD—Newly-formed Anglican Young People's Association of Colwood and Langford will meet Monday at 8 p.m. in Colwood Hall.

The club's first dinner meeting was held this week at Langford, when Rev. H. J. Jones presided, and Mrs. Roy Fraser and Mrs. H. M. McKenzie served.

## Canadian Buffalo Round-Up Will See 250 Slaughtered

OTTAWA (CP)—A buffalo hunt will be conducted next month by the wildlife service of the northern affairs department.

The hunt will be held in 17,000-acre wood Buffalo park, lying partly in the Northwest Territories.

The service estimates there are 11,000 to 13,000 buffalo in the park and environs, the Canadian survivors of the great herds which once roamed the western plains. The number has increased from some 6,000 in the mid 1920's.

The buffalo will be rounded up in a 155-acre corral and some 250 slaughtered as a thinning-out process to ensure forage for the main herd.

About 280 animals were killed last year and the 106,000 pounds of meat sold for 55 cents a pound retail. Buffalo meat is similar to beef. Officials said the price probably will be a little higher this year.

## Hinto-Godsell Write New Book on Yukon

VANCOUVER (CP)—A new book on the Yukon will be published in 1954. A Cherry Hinto of Vancouver and former Yukon resident, said he had been advised his book, written in collaboration with Phillip Godsell, will be published. A feature of the book will be several photos of early-day life in the far north.

## PRAIRIE ROUND-UP

## Sub-Zero Weather Prospect For New Year's Day in West

EDMONTON (CP)—The outlook on the Prairies is for colder weather New Year's Day, with a return to sub-zero temperatures in all Manitoba and most of Saskatchewan.

This is heralded by very cold Arctic air which was moving in a southeast direction out of the Peace River area early today after dumping two to five inches of snow on the region in the 24 hours to 5:30 a.m. and causing sharp temperature drops.

The cold wave in the Peace River area was in direct contrast to the balmy overnight weather in southern Alberta where exceptionally strong Chinook winds kept the temperature hovering around 40 at Lethbridge and Medicine Hat, higher than Wednesday's afternoon readings.

## REACH OBJECTIVE

WINNIPEG (CP)—The Greater Winnipeg Community Chest campaign has reached its objective for the first time since 1944.

The 1953 campaign, which had an objective of \$770,000, opened in September.

## FIVE NEW QCs

WINNIPEG (CP)—Hon. Ivan Schultz, attorney-general of Manitoba, has announced the New Year's list of five Queen's counsel appointments for the province.

They are: Russel W. Campbell, Harold St. George Stubbs, Hon. Ronald D. Turner and Harry Walsh, all of Winnipeg and Alfred John Webb of Grandview.

## YEAR-END MESSAGE

EDMONTON (CP)—Premier Manning says in a year-end message "It may well be that 1954 will see an acceleration of the development of Alberta's natural resources through the incentive of gas export to other parts of Canada."

Earlier this month, Alberta announced it had surplus gas for export to Eastern Canada but deferred permission pending action on its recommendation that the two major pipeline companies seeking the export permit combine into one overall project. The federal government is now attempting to speed this proposed merger.

## STRONG WINDS

The southern Chinook winds gusting to 88 miles an hour at Lethbridge. Edmonton was buffeted by gusts up to 63 mph and the temperature remained around 37 until the approach of the cold wave brought

a return to freezing weather.

When the cold air hit the Peace River region, Fort St. John, in northeastern British Columbia, saw the temperature drop 27 degrees from 33 to six above within an hour about midnight.

Five inches of snow fell at Fort St. John. Lac La Biche, 100 miles northeast of Edmonton, recorded four inches and Prince-Albert in northern Saskatchewan, got three inches.

While all of Alberta remained above freezing overnight, the temperature got down to 13 at Winnipeg and 21 at The Pas, Man.

## BUILDING RECORD

WINNIPEG (CP)—Values of new buildings erected in Winnipeg in 1953 hit a record breaking figure of \$21,841,900 topping the former 1912 record of \$20,595,570.

The sun is not so hot after all, according to new temperature takings of the solar body. It may have a body temperature of a mere 13,000,000 degrees, instead of the 28,000,000 scientists calculated previously.

## Funeral Notice

Members of Pro Patria Branch, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., and the Ladies' Auxiliary are requested to attend the funeral of our late comrade Charles Hogg Smith at McCall Brothers' Funeral Home, 1100-11th St., on Saturday, January 2nd, 1954, at 11:00 a.m.

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# Business Up But Profits Down in Greater Victoria During 1953

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By ED McLEAN  
Times Business Editor

Compress the financial statements of all the firms that did business in Greater Victoria in 1953 and the essence probably would be:

Volume of transactions up considerably, as much as 15 per cent in some categories, but dollar-volume increased only a few percentage points (perhaps five) above 1952.

Dollar-outgo up as much as 15 per cent, due to the higher cost of doing business.

Profits pared harshly, percentage-wise.

These generalizations don't constitute Victoria's business story for 1953, busiest year of this city's history.

If you're incurably an optimist the year just ending sent business in Greater Victoria to an historic peak, circulated more

dollars faster than in any comparable twelvemonth, employed more people at highest-ever wages.

If pessimism is your forte, 1953 was harsh and trying year. Law of supply and demand, returned to confound a generation that had never known, or had forgotten, how it works.

The buyer, re-asserting his natural kingship in the market, place wasn't easy-come easy-go, as he had been in the merchant-discounted forties.

Inventory—once just a too-small board of easy-to-sell goods—turned overnight into a profit-eating ogre that kept businessmen's capital tied tightly unproductive.

Perhaps the keynote of 1953's business-world story—in Victoria as elsewhere—was that once again businessmen proved they could quickly adjust to

changing conditions.

Prudent management, keen salesmanship, alert courageous credit-granting, active advertising helped Greater Victoria's business world to take in the stride of its busiest year the pulls and shoves of an economy reshaping itself.

It wasn't an easy year, whether the business was ship-building or the selling of real estate. It will go down in the books as the trying year that compressed within itself the production problems of the seller's market and the selling, financing and inventory problems of the resurging buyer's bonanza. It was the strange year of more sales, more expenses and less profit.

The increases in sales chiefly reflected population growth of Greater Victoria. Subsidiary factors were higher payrolls,

both private and governmental, greater availability of consumer goods, income tax changes that enlarged take-home pay and also improved the position of the large number of fixed-income people who reside hereabouts.

What of the future?

In the business world the calendar is only a device to note the seasons and trouble the bookkeepers. Changing of the date to 1954 has little effect, except psychological, on the factors that made business what it was in 1953.

The chances are that Greater Victoria's 1954 will be another busy, "prosperous" and "trying" year.

The primary and heavy industries which this city's economy mirrors are ebbing back from early 1953's historic high-water mark. But they're tackling their world market difficulties and

have good prospect of greater existing, new and reopened markets though probably at a lower price-plateau than exists today.

The community's smaller, more localized industries also are hopeful they can solve manufacturing and distributing cost problems that have priced them out of some markets, cut to the bone their profit in others.

The construction industry is a half-bright spot. Backlog of contracts is fair. Prospect of the first half or next year is encouraging. And by mid-summer the federal government's new home-mortgage policy should be operating through the chartered banks to give a new fillip to home-building and conversion of big, older houses into multi-family units.

The tourist trade, in the top three of Greater Victoria's dollar-circulating industries, followed the 1953 pattern—there were more visitors than ever but in total they spent not quite so much as formerly. And those in the business of serving them didn't do as well, profit-wise.

But here again the wheels are turning to solve the trade's problems, with emphasis on cutting the cost and the time consumed in getting on and off the Island, and with attention to the need for attractions to extend the tourist's stay here.

The city's service businesses—retailers of everything from groceries to motor cars to real estate—shouldn't be any worse off next year than they were in 1953. There'll be lots of income-earners to buy their offer-

## MINISTERS ISSUE CALL TO WEEK OF PRAYER

The call to observe the Universal Week of Prayer was extended today by the Victoria Ministerial Association.

Afternoon meetings, from 3 to 4, will be held each day commencing on Sunday, Jan. 3, and continuing to Saturday, Jan. 9. All meetings will be held in the Central Baptist Church.

On Sunday the speaker will be Dr. J. B. Rowell, and the chairman Rev. T. H. McAllister; Monday, Rev. C. B. Smith and Mr. E. G. Marriott; Tuesday, Major Oakley and Mr. F. Martens; Wednesday, Rev. J. Hyde and Mr. H. L. Hopkins; Thursday, Rev. Percy Willis and Rev. R. J. Gould; Friday, Rev. D. A. Gunn and Pastor J. A. Stewart; and Saturday, Rev. M. Dobson and Commander E. R. Dickinson.

ings (perhaps at lower prices), slated into cash. Drying-up of this source of new capital and income has been as responsible as any other single factor for the gloominess of some Greater Victoria businessmen.



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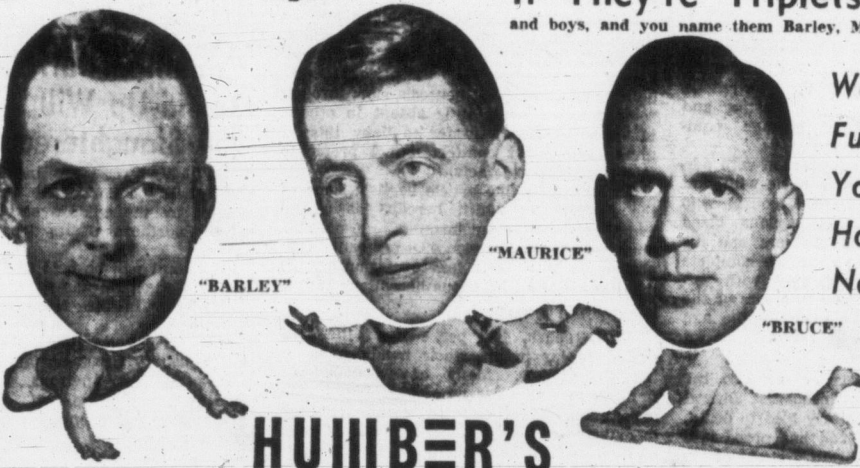
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# AUTOMOTIVE NEWS

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## SAFER MOTORING

By JACK SMITH

### Suspension Systems Constantly Improved



#### Installation 17.

Years ago, when a team ran away with a wagon, the driver usually was pitched off, the contents of the box littered the road, and the episode ended with the wagon turning turtle. This at the terrific speed of 15 to 20 miles per hour — all because of the solid, springless, tireless suspension.

The earliest efforts were in favor of the occupant of the carriage body that was hung by long straps from supports on a frame and axles without springs. The body could sway on the straps, which absorbed some of the most violent shocks.

Then came the famous "spring wagon," where either wood or metal springs were placed between axles and body. The advent of the motor car, even at first, raised the speed to be accommodated by this type of spring from the six miles per hour of the cart to 20 miles per hour, and soon even 40 m.p.h.

#### Little Flexibility

The springs used were of poor steel, and did not like flexing. To get flexibility we had springs mounted on springs like Franklin's full elliptic, or even the three-spring set-up such as the Cadillac platform spring, with one spring across the back of the car slung to the ends of other springs running down each side.

They became longer and longer. The Lanchester cantilever springs almost touched ends in the middle of the car, and reached out to front and rear axles. As long as the road was smooth and speed reasonable, a fine ride was experienced.

Once a series of bumps or hollows was encountered, however, the car bounced higher and higher until everyone left the cushions. Shock absorbers, therefore, were the next development. A very popular type, the "Hartford," was made like a pair of shears, with one point attached to the axle and the other to the frame. A device with bolt and friction discs enabled the driver to tighten the pivot between the blades to suit road conditions.

Before leaving town you always tightened the nuts and bolts for a rough country road.

The Andre people put a pump on the instrument panel and a set of pipes leading oil to all shock absorbers. Without leaving the car, the driver could apply extra pressure to the shocks for a stiffer ride.

Another type consisted of a piston in an oil-filled cylinder, the piston having a small hole to permit passage of the oil when it moved. When moved slowly the piston did not resist, but when forced, it did resist. This gave gentle restraint of gentle spring action, but great restraint of violent spring rebound.

Some cars had a ride control that enabled the size of the hole in the piston to be varied from the dashboard. With the advent of very soft springs, the car would "bottom" on severe bumps, so another cylinder was added to give "double-acting" shock absorbers.

The simple, tubular, telescopic type is in most common use today. It is like a bicycle pump except that it has two washers, one facing up and one down. A safety valve is connected between the two ends of the cylinder so that, in the event of a terrific bump being hit, oil will pass rapidly from one end to the other without damaging the piston.

Using the example of the bicycle pump, the handle of the pump would be attached by a rubber bushing to the frame, and the barrel, or foot plate, to the axle.

With semi-balloon tires and comparatively firm suspension and shocks, the car of the 1935 era gave a fairly good ride and steady roadability.

In Grand Prix racing in Europe the car with a solid I-beam axle as used on ordinary cars, and a solid rear axle that all but a few cars still use, was found impossible to control at the speeds of up to 190 miles per hour reached in competition.

The reason was that the "unsprung" weight of axle, wheels, brake drums and semi-elliptical or "conventional" springs, if used, could not be brought back into contact with the road quickly enough after hitting a bump. On a curve, for instance, the car obviously could go where it liked if the wheels were in the air.

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Statistics in 1925 reveal that the average life of a car was six years and five months or 25,750 miles. By 1935 its life expectancy had risen to eight years, three months, or 58,000 miles.

The modern car can be expected to last 13 years, five months and travel 116,500 miles.

At one time, according to Staff Sgt. Lock, large numbers of junk yards operated, and it was simple to purchase a used part for practically any car. That is almost impossible today, he finds.

"Late model cars seem to stay on the road until they are really ready for the junk pile," he says.

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## Pioneer Motorists Braved Mud, Misery

"A Pictorial History of the Automobile," by Philip Van Doren Stern, The Macmillan Company of Canada Limited, \$8.95.

Despite the substantial price, this book is a must for anyone whose interest in automobiles extends past the fact that most cars have four wheels.

Drawn from the files of Motor Magazine between 1903 and 1953, it takes the car from its humble beginnings to the threshold of the atomic age through 256 pages of pictures and text.

Pioneers in the automobile game will view with nostalgia the old models they used to service and sell. The Argonauts who bought the first cars and braved the perils of the "highways" will live over again the sweat, tears and jeers that were the lot of anyone who headed for the wide, open spaces.

#### HANDSOME VETERANS

Youngsters will laugh uproariously at the cars a good many of us thought were the last word, and may look with awe and envy at two handsome pictures of the model SJ Duesenberg that was built in 1931 and 1932.

This big speedster would climb from zero to 100 m.p.h. in 17 seconds under the impetus of an eight-cylinder super-charged motor, and would coast at 130.

But the book is full of them — page after page of pictures of the Cord, Crane-Simplex, Reo, Autocar, Pierce-Arrow, Haynes, Stevens-Duryea — all carefully compiled as to date.

#### HATCHET HANDY

The old advertisements are there, for such products as the Damascus hatchet that permitted a driver to cut a pole in jig time for use as a lever to pry his car out of deep mud, an electric hand-warmer for the steering wheel, and an oven hooked to the exhaust manifold that baked potatoes as you drove — handy for picnics.

The ancestry of every 1953 American car is traced to its parent company. A delightful section entitled "Those Were the Days!" lists as sub-headings "the clothes we wore," "the places we went," "the troubles we had," "the tools we carried," "the cars we drove."

In this section are the linen dusters, battles for the right-of-way, the overland tour, the mud and clincher tires and the pathfinders who built their own

roads when none lay ahead of them.

On page 161 is a picture of King Alfonso of Spain, dashing and debonair in his racing helmet at the wheel of a 1921 sports car. On page 165 is Fatty Arbuckle in his custom-built Pierce-Arrow that cost \$25,000 in 1920.

#### FATAL ACCIDENT

Evidence that Scotland claims the first fatal auto accident is on page 184. The forerunner of millions occurred in Glasgow in 1834, when Scott-Russell's steam carriage blew up, killing five people.

Barney Oldfield is portrayed at the wheel of the Winton racer that he drove at 83.7 m.p.h. in 1903, and a picture of Fred Marriott reminds the 1953 reader that he drove a Stanley Steamer at 127 m.p.h. in 1906.

The author says of modern

cars that behind their sleek beauty and marvellous efficiency is a long period of evolution. Ever since the Duryea brothers drove their first auto buggy through the streets of Springfield, Mass., in 1893, the American automobile has been going through a never-ending series of improvements. The pioneers who learned the hard way are now either dead or very old. But to them should go the credit of making the greatest civilizing force of the twentieth century. Their brass-bound, snorting, and temperamental iron monsters opened the way. — Don Ingham.

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# Australia Retains Coveted Davis Cup

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## IT'S MY VIEW

By BILL WALKER, Sports Editor

And this was 1953. The Western Hockey League-Cougars had 29 points just about a year ago today and they've got the same number today. Could that be a trend? Set to relate the Cougars spent most of last season—at least the important part of the year—looking up to the other league clubs. They are not enjoying the scenery any more this season from the same vantage point. Nice lads, and understanding, too—a number being part of the summer rebuilding program which, so far, has failed to meet WHL requirements.

And wasn't it in the winter months, too, that a rift in the ranks threatened to break up the Shamrocks into little pieces of memory. But the wound was healed in time for a path to be laid to a Canadian championship final, unsuccessful as the quest for the Mann Cup eventually was to become. Yet, there's another title in the crystal ball, and what was it that manager Ralph Baker was saying at arena boss Joe Dukowski's annual chowder party?



Walker

"If we get the players we're after . . . we need two big guys and a . . ." and then Baker threw the pencil on the floor. After all, wasn't this a social outing?

Then the Tyees in the spring—ah, California! The country had more to offer than the Tyees. There was little to start with, little more to get excited about during the season and nothing, at least practically nothing, except Laura and Bob (Fergusson-Pollock) at the finish. Even Cec Garriott fell into disfavor and was eased out as gently as the fans avoided the park. And with nary a recrimination that we know of.

And golf: "Youth," it has been said, "must be served." But Bob Fleming, the original pink-cheeked kid from Gorge Vale, had a hard time convincing Bob Morrison of the fact. They divided up most of the spoils, did this pair—one old enough to be the other's father. A remarkable gentleman, Morrison won the city title for the eighth time and chased Fleming to the V.I. crown. Fleming, who twice before had pushed the redoubtable Bill Mawhinney to the limit of his established prominence, finally clicked, the B.C. title being a true, and long overdue attestation of his prowess.

We gave 'em the handle and we're still proud of the "Brats." Dot Herbertson and Shirley Fry are on the way up, while Marg Todd is held in the same esteem as ever.

Shades of the past and a tip-off on the future were evident when a rumbling was heard from the gridders. Annis Skukus and his Lions from Vancouver, WFL-bound in 1954, may have supplied the needed impetus. But the footballers can't be ignored any longer, even by the education authorities.

Oh, this could go on for hours—Wally Brynjolfsson reliving the occasion of his field goal against the New Zealand All-Blacks (many years ago) during a rep rugby game and eagerly anticipating the All-Blacks' next visit here in the spring. . . . Dave McKenzie's long jaunts for the Crimson Tide. . . . Whitney Severson and Archie Browning, the blond mites, rallying the Shamrocks to victory. . . . Big Norm Baker back sniping baskets for a Victoria cage team again. . . . John Clark's prolific scoring feats against Alberni. . . . Pat Mulchay and Sam Smith working their heart out to keep the city as a "must" on the itinerary of visiting Old Country soccer clubs. . . . Bill McAllister probably enjoying his best season in goal for Victoria United. . . . Vic Dale's booming bat blasting the Gasmen into the B.C. finals. . . . The class and poise of the touring net—Frank Sedgman, Jack Kramer, Pancho Segura, Ken McGregor. . . . Ed Dorohoy giving his best for the Cougars. . . . Ernie Fields, ready to back the Wests at the meager raising of a voice. . . . The pride of the Little Leaguers in action for the first time. . . . Tommy Restell and his gallant helpers doing the same for soccer and, yes, and the city fathers. . . . Waldo received a gift for his efforts on behalf of the city, and it was probably well earned. . . . but the Shamrocks, who hosted the Canadian lacrosse final HERE IN VICTORIA, got only a congratulatory note, and long after the series had been concluded!

But this was 1953—From all of us, to all of you, the best in '54.

## Facts, Figures on U.S. Grid Bowl Games

NEW YORK (CP)—Michigan State will clash with UCLA in the traditionally glamorous Rose Bowl setting at Pasadena, Calif., but the major New Year's Day football interest will be centred 2,500 miles east.

While the Michigan State Spartans, ranked third nationally, and the fifth-ranked Panthers are expected to draw the usual 100,000 sellout crowd, the holiday plum promises to be the Oklahoma-Maryland clash at Miami's Orange Bowl.

Maryland's Terrapins, a disputed choice over Notre Dame as the college team of the year, are looking for a convincing victory to justify their rating. Unbeaten over their 10-game schedule, the Terrapins were criticized by some experts for establishing their record against comparatively weak opponents.

### GAMES ON TV

Crowds of 414,000 expected for the nine bowl games will be swelled by millions who will hear broadcasts or watch the games on television. The CBC

will carry the telecast of the Rose Bowl from Toronto and Ottawa.

Complete data, including radio and television coverage of bowl games follows:

Rose Bowl, Pasadena, Calif.—Michigan State (7-0) vs. UCLA (8-1), 5 p.m. EST. Mutual radio and TV. Sugar Bowl, New Orleans—Georgia Tech (8-2) vs. Wake Forest (5-1), 2 p.m. EST. ABC radio and TV. Cotton Bowl, Dallas—Texas (6-3) vs. Alabama (6-2), 2 p.m. EST. 55.50, NBC radio and TV. Orange Bowl, Miami, Fla.—Oklahoma (10-1) vs. Maryland (10-0), 2 p.m. EST. CBS radio and TV. Gator Bowl, Jacksonville, Fla.—Auburn (7-2) vs. Texas Tech (10-1), 2 p.m. EST. 25.00, Mutual radio and TV. Sun Bowl, El Paso, Texas—Mississippi Southern (8-1) vs. Texas Western (7-2), 4 p.m. EST. 15.00, no TV, three local stations. Two Mississippi stations to broadcast. Salad Bowl, Phoenix, Ariz.—Great Lakes Navy (7-2) vs. Port Orford (7-2), 2 p.m. EST. 15.00, no radio or TV commitments, but may be broadcast over some stations.

Tangerine Bowl at Orlando, Fla.—Arkansas (7-2) vs. Texas A&M (10-0), 2 p.m. EST. 14.00, broadcast over some Texas and Arkansas stations. Citrus Bowl, Tampa, Fla.—La Crosse, Wis. State (8-0) vs. Missouri Valley (8-1), 2:30 p.m. EST. 12.00, broadcast over some Missouri and Wisconsin stations.

## MOBERG'S PERFECT GAMES TOP PIN THRILL

# Plenty of Strikes and Spares in '53

By RON COULTER

Better bowling in 1954? Well, maybe. There were some great performances in 1953, one of which may be eclipsed but will never be equaled.

In proof—the case of Roy Moberg.

It was just an ordinary day in Roy's life when he sauntered into Capital City Bowl-drome for a friendly game of fivepins last July 9.

It was no ordinary day when he departed. For Roy rolled 12 consecutive strikes to become the first and only trundler to hit a perfect 450-single-game score in Victoria.

In the New Year—will any one forget the way Mary Chayko ushered in 1953 by rolling two torrid scratch totals of 914 and 896 in the second-annual Capital City Bowl-drome Christmas Five-pin Tournament.

Her 914 was high scratch total for the tourney and earned her second spot in the "A" singles event. It also was a season's record for women trundlers at the alley.

Ray Chapman also got a good start, coming up with a 67 triple to set a new record in Gibson's commercial tens. That standard remained throughout the year.

Erie Chayko started with a

bang, posting single games of 383, 251 and 388 for a torrid 1,022 five-pin triple at Capital City in January.

Then, going down the months:

Art Manson carved a niche in the record books by winning the city tenpin singles title with a 624-30—654 total in the Victoria Tenpin Bowling Association's 13th annual city championships in February.

Dave Williams and Bob Bystedt combined to hit for a 979-207—1,186 total to take the doubles crown.

March was the month that two youths, Gerry Devine and

Keith Todd, started their climb to bowling prominence. Todd fired a 420 single and Devine came in with a 402.

Later that month the fairer sex joined the select group, Gwen Noble pounding out a 410 singleton.

The month of April also made news. Harry Stuart, then manager of Gibson's Bowl-drome, announced plans for expansion of the alleys, which became a reality in September. Harry subsequently retired and Eric Smith, present manager, took over on Sept. 22.

Bill McKinnon won the Capital City Singles Classic and a Morris Minor convert-

ible with a five-game playoff total of 1,317, including 60 pins handicap, in April.

In the same event Ken Smith took the consolation roll-off with a 1,616 total, which included a 427 singleton.

Bowling faded out during the summer months, but came back strong this fall.

Andy Palmer opened play in the senior tenpin section in early-October with a 604 triple.

Roy Begg established the current record triple of 655 in the Strathcona Men's Commercial Tenpin League in November.

That was the month too, that Cy Wallis fired a 950 triple in Gibson's commercial fives.

Elmer Curtis changed tenpin balls one night in December and rolled a record total of 650 in Gibson's commercial section, erasing the mark of 623 previously set by Alex McKeachie.

Curtis also held the single-game standard of 245, set opening night until teammate McKeachie retaliated and turned in a recent 247 single.

Lorna Laney also made a place for herself in the tenpin world by turning in several good efforts, best of which was a 609 triple.

# Tide, Cats Top Sport Menu



## Ruggers in Cup Match; Royals Here

Victoria Crimson Tide's most crucial fling at the McKeachie Cup will highlight the sports fixtures slated for the holiday week-end, a list of events which includes Western League hockey and soccer.

Tide, Victoria's rep rugby squad, meets Vancouver Norwests here Saturday at Macdonald Park at 2:30.

Having lost their Boxing Day game to Vancouver Reps by a slender 3-0 margin, Tide must win Saturday to retain their faint hope of picking up the cup. Their future will also be dependent on the outcome of the mainland game between Reps and UBC.

The team will have two changes for the mix with Norwests. Ed Bourke, scrum hook, who suffered an injured neck Boxing Day, will be replaced by Oak Bay High School kicking star Norm Dixon. Ted Martin will be in the front row of the scrum. He will be making his first start of the season in McKeachie Cup play and will replace John Olson.

Other forwards will be Lorne McDonald, Colin Blythe, Harry Turner, Pete Fowles, Frank Gower and Paul Beck. Tom Cullen will be scrum-half, Ray Calton at the five-eighths position. Centre-threes will be Bob Abbott and Derek Dyde-Lay with Garry Pynn and Dave McKenzie on the wings. Dave Whittingham will be at the full-back spot. Gary Webster, Peter Dixon and Ray Hanson are reserves.

Norwests will have Dave Hook at the fullback position. Wing threes will be Gordon Hemingway and Keith Myles. Centre threes will be Bill Kinder and John Renfrew. Harry Winter will perform at the five-eighths position. Norman Blake at scrum-half.

Bill Turner will be scrum hook and flanked by Alex Mahood and Joe Lidster. Ossie Gjerdalen and Ian Strachan will make up the scrum's second line and Pete McQueen, Allan Sinclair and Brian Mitchell making up the back row.

### TRY AGAIN

Victoria Cougars, who need a victory just as badly as Tide, will try it against New Westminster Royals here Friday afternoon at 3. Cougars bowed to Royals last night, something they have made a habit of doing this season.

On the Commercial hockey front, action will be limited to Nanaimo where Victoria V's will be the guests of Nanaimo Clippers at Nanaimo Civic Arena Saturday night.

On Saturday at 2:15 at Athletic Park, a district league all-star team, managed by Bob Davidson and Ralph Cosier, will meet Victoria United of the Coast Soccer League in an exhibition match.

## Royals Whip Cougars, Quakers Edge Bombers

New Westminster 6, Victoria 3, Saskatoon 2, Seattle 2.

New Westminster Royals had another night out at the expense of the Victoria Cougars, Wednesday, only goalie Ralph Almas keeping the Royals from ripping the town wide open.

This time, in the Cougars' seventh loss in nine games to the Royals this season and their seventh defeat in the last eight games, the score was 6-3.

Only 1,000 fans attended the game in which reports say

"Royals completely outclassed Cougars, Almas keeping the Victorians in the game for two periods with a brilliant display."

Royals led 2-0 and 3-1 at the end of the first two periods, respectively. Cougars shaved the margin to 3-2 early in the third frame, but the Royals won going away in the final minutes.

Ollie Dorohoy scored twice for the winners, Blinky Boyce, Max McNab, Gordie Fashaway and Bobby Love got the others. Ross Lowe, Doug Anderson and Sam Lavitt scored for Cougars.

Seattle Bombers, with even their spectacular goalie Marcel Pelletier helping to score goals, Wednesday night joined some distinguished company when they lost their third game of three to end a Prairie tour.

Saskatoon Quakers ran their home unbeaten streak to 11 games in edging Bombers 3-2.

Quakers led 1-0 and 2-0 for the first two periods before Seattle shaved the lead to 2-1 in the third and later made it 3-2 in the dying seconds after Saskatoon went ahead 3-1 midway through the period.

Pelletier, who played a brilliant game, scored an assist on Bombers' second goal.

The assist was the first collected by a goalie this season. Pelletier started the play for Seattle's last goal, passing to Bill Davidson, who relayed to trigger-man Joe Bell. Wayne Brown got the other Seattle goal, while Ray Manson, Vic Howe and Doug Adam, a former Bomber, scored for Quakers.

## Beliveau's Goal Nice, But Habs Accept Draw

Montreal 2, Toronto 2

Jean Beliveau scored a goal Wednesday night. He looked somewhat terrific in Le Gros Bill was ushered into the National Hockey League this year with perhaps more publicity than ever before attended a rookie. He had the biggest contract ever paid a freshman by Montreal—Canadiens. He was the new Maurice Richard.

But he spent most of this season in hospital. Beliveau played his 10th game with Canadiens Wednesday night when the Montrealers battled to a 2-2 tie against third-place Maple Leafs in Toronto.

The 22-year-old Beliveau scored against goalkeeper Harry Lumley at 16:51 of the second period. The goal had Richard, Montreal's great rightwinger, written all over it—and the 13-831 fans knew it.

It was Beliveau's third goal of the season and put the Montrealers into a 2-0 edge, a lead they frittered away before the end of the game.

## Ike Hildebrand To Join Canucks

VANCOUVER (CP)—Vancouver Canucks of the Western Hockey League Wednesday announced the purchase of forward Ike Hildebrand from New York Rangers of the National League.

Owner Coley Hall said he paid \$7,500 for Hildebrand's contract, and that he hopes to have him in uniform for Friday's WHL game against Seattle.

Hildebrand started his hockey career in New Westminster, B.C., where he was also a lacrosse star.

The New Zealand Rugby Union touring team crushed England's Midland Counties 18-3 Wednesday before a crowd of 20,000.

### NHL SUMMARY

DETROIT 3, PITTSBURGH 2. First period—1. Detroit, Modell 15:31. Penalties: Thomson 2:21, Horton 7:12. Geoffrion 8:14, Mackay 12:32.

Second period—2. Montreal, Beliveau (Maurer) 16:51. Penalties: Kennedy 6:48, Maurice (minor) and 10-min. misconduct 7:10, Smith 7:42, Piatman 17:00, Stewart 17:54, Beliveau 18:58.

Third period—3. Toronto, Armstrong (Sloan, Thomson) 1:42, 4. Toronto, Morrison (Hannigan, Piatman) 6:46. Penalties: Nesterenko 2:57, Beliveau 3:49, Slope, McNeil, 6, 5, 7-18, Lumley 4, 9, 2-15.

### WHL SUMMARIES

Calgary 37, 22, 14, 1, 145, 104, 45. Vancouver 37, 20, 13, 5, 104, 92, 43. N. Westminster 38, 18, 16, 5, 124, 131, 41. Saskatoon 25, 18, 13, 4, 108, 100, 40. Edmonton 39, 13, 20, 6, 135, 153, 32. Seattle 41, 14, 12, 4, 117, 139, 32. VICTORIA 36, 12, 19, 5, 97, 113, 29.

Next games, tomorrow: New Westminster at VICTORIA; Seattle at Vancouver; Saskatoon at Edmonton.

### NEW WESTMINSTER 6, VICTORIA 3

First period—1. New Westminster, O. Dorohoy (Love) 8:35. 2. New Westminster, McNab (Fashaway, Durham) 14:05. Penalties: Durham 17:25, Love 18:07. Second period—2. New Westminster, Boyce (McNab) 7:22. 4. Victoria, Love (E. Dorohoy, Bettio) 10:11. 5. Victoria, Anderson (Kilburn, Schneider) 15:05. Penalties: Kuzma 20:14, Schneider 18:14.

Third period—4. New Westminster, Fashaway (Bergeron, Boyce) 6:57. 7. New Westminster, O. Dorohoy (Hamilton, Love) 14:46. 9. Victoria, Lavitt (Anderson) 16:39. 9. New Westminster, Love (Hamilton, O. Dorohoy) 19:28. Penalties: Kuzma 49.

### SASKATOON 3, SEATTLE 2

First period—1. Saskatoon, Manson (Parter, Kallala) 11:38. Penalties: Kukulowicz 14:30 (major), Zenick 14:30 (major).

Second period—3. Saskatoon, Howe (Pontinato) 16:30. Penalties: None. Third period—1. Seattle, Brown (Parrell, Zenick) 2:57. 4. Saskatoon, Adam (Senack, Lynn) 8:17. 5. Seattle, Bell (Davidson, Pelletier) 19:11. Penalties: Pontinato 15:12.

### FISHING REPORT

## Up-Island Best Bet On Steelhead Front

By ROY THORSEN

Some good steelhead fishing is being enjoyed in upper island rivers at the present time, according to reports received this week by the Victoria game office on Elliott Street.

Puntledge River in the Courtenay area is producing some nice steelies below the highway bridge. Oyster River is fair for steelhead and should improve as the winter advances.

Tsolum River is fair for steelies, although it is a little low.

Reports from Upper Cowichan River is that the river is now in top condition for steelhead fishing. However, few fish are offered.

The river has produced some steelhead of late, but we are waiting for a fresh run to arrive in a week or so," said guide Joe Hancock.

Hancock reeled in a 14½-pounder Sunday. He said a couple of eight and nine-pound specimens were also taken. "But don't let this cause a rush in this direction because the fish just aren't here right now; I'll pass the word along to you by telephone when the new run arrives," Hancock assured The Times.

### ALBERNI POOR

In the Alberni district all rivers are still high. Steelhead fishing is reported poor. However, levels are receding and

fishing is expected to pick up in the next few days.

There has not been much activity in Big Qualicum River but a sizeable run of steelies is reported. Good spring salmon fishing is available off Union Bay and in Comox harbor.

Grise fishing has been spotty this week in Saanich Inlet, according to reports from both the Goldstream and Brentwood sectors. Fish are well scattered with catches on the small side.

Stan Williams reports some steelhead being taken in Sooke River and Muir Creek of that district. He said some springs are being taken off Oak Bay and bluebacks off Crofton, all deep.

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# Netters Enjoy Upswing in '53

By G. N. HOBSON

Time goes, you say? Ah no! ...  
 Alas, time stays, we go.  
 This is the last column of 1953. Yes, mes amis, 52 weeks and 25,000 words have recorded the passage of time through the media of tennis, badminton, ping-pong, squash, and other assorted items. For the wise men who can think of the past as experience and see it in the foundations for the future, retrospective thinking need not be so saddening. Although it would be false to state that the year has been the best on record, there have been sufficient highlights to earn it a place in sporting history. For the most colorful contribution, we are indebted to the tennis folk. The exhibition last May in the Memorial Arena staged by the VLB & T was a magnificent prelude to a successful season.

Jack Kramer and Pancho Segura, in walloping the Australians, Ken McGregor and Frank Sedgman, provided sports enthusiasts of all denominations with a memorable performance. In the B.C. Open a few months later, the cup-winning Americans Jim Livingstone, Stan Hack and Jim Demas, made the affair a gala day. They discovered 13-year-old Harvey Hurd and dubbed him "the best tennis prospect in Canada." We were also privileged to meet some of the old-time champions like Miss Marion Pitts (126 cups) and Dr. J. Hunter, the oldest original tennis player alive today. Perhaps the saddening thought of the past was the death of Frederick "Pop" Jackson, secretary of the VLT & B club for 30 years. The event of the year in badminton takes us back to February and the City Championships.

Following a well-established pattern, the lads and lasses of the Brentwood Club won every cup and silver spoon available. The perennial triple-crowned hero was George Lane. In club life generally, the year was possibly the most progressive in the history of the game. Several new clubs were opened, the largest addition being Cordova Bay; membership was more evenly distributed and higher than ever, and the Lower Vancouver Island Badminton League made a vigorous start in its second year. One of the most encouraging projects of the year was the interest taken by all clubs in junior divisions.

Table tennis and squash, arriving a little late in this column (though no fault of theirs) still gave us the opportunity to realize the worth of their contributions to Victoria's sporting record. Nancy Craig, the George Lane of the TT world and the Ngai brothers, all members of the Victoria Table Tennis Association, continued to pile up honors in favor of the city. Dr. Bob Houston, club champion of the Victoria Squash Club, and other members, maintained their record of wins both at home and abroad.

Although this column is the last of 1953, it presages the first for 1954. ... a good enough excuse for taking a peek over the hedge. While not overlooking the Western Canada Tourney for the T-Ters, the spot-light, brighter than ever before in Canada badminton history, shines on the B.C. Open Tournament to be played at the Victoria club from January 19-23. The main attraction is the matching of the immovable object with the irresistible force through the media of Joe Atkinson and Wyn Rogers, top-flight Americans, and the world-famous Malaysian brothers, David and Eddy Choon. Since neither have yet been beaten in doubles play ... boy ... fire that gun and let's get cracking.

## Christmas Swim Gala Results

Results of the YMCA Christmas swimming gala, held at the Y pool Wednesday night, follow:

Girls under 17th birthday, 100 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. J. Gordon, 3. C. Westinghouse. Time, 1:13.  
 Boys under 17th birthday, 100 yards freestyle—1. J. Gordon, 2. J. Gordon, 3. J. Gordon. Time, 1:13.  
 Girls under 15th birthday, 50 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Boys under 15th birthday, 50 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. J. Gordon, 3. J. Gordon. Time, 1:04.  
 Girls under 13th birthday, 40 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Boys under 13th birthday, 40 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Girls under 11th birthday, 30 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Boys under 11th birthday, 30 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Girls under 9th birthday, 20 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Boys under 9th birthday, 20 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Girls under 7th birthday, 15 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Boys under 7th birthday, 15 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Girls under 5th birthday, 10 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Boys under 5th birthday, 10 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Girls under 3rd birthday, 5 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Boys under 3rd birthday, 5 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Girls under 1st birthday, 2 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.  
 Boys under 1st birthday, 2 yards freestyle—1. Ouel, 2. R. McAllister. Time, 1:04.

## Nelson Sparks Cubs to Win

Dave Nelson was the big name in the ranks of Cubs Wednesday when he led his teammates to a 5-3 victory over Capitals by tallying three points in a Victoria Minor Hockey Association bantam B game at Memorial Arena.

T. Graham and Craigdallie scored the other goals for Cubs. Van Pelt scoring two for Capitals. B. Hall netting the third. Barnard Johnson, Bob Travis and Garry Shepherd scored to give Senators a 3-1 victory over Royals in a second bantam B game. Royals' only goal was scored by Bob Freer.

## Three Rinks Unbeaten, Hold Curling Lead

Malcolm's Eaton's rink fell to their first defeat in four starts, but three leaders continued their unbeaten records Wednesday afternoon in Commercial Curling League play at the Victoria Curling Club.

Malcolm was beaten 9.5 by Wilson, also of Eaton's. Gorge Hotel, Garden City and Logan's Eaton's rink remained unbeaten. Results, standings follow:  
 Gorge Hotel 16, B. & K. (Heal) 4, HBC (Nash) 16, Colonial (Smith) 16, HBC (Hastings) 8, Garden City Grocery 12, HBC (Goff) 4, Eaton's (Duncan) 7, Eaton's (Wilson) 9, Eaton's (Malcolm) 8, Perwood Variety 11, B. & K. (Patterson) 9, Eaton's (Logan) 14, Headliners 18, HBC (Patterson) 7, HBC (Baggett) 12.

## Hockey Scores

QUEBEC LEAGUE  
 Montreal 1, Valleyfield 5.  
 OTTAWA SENIORS  
 Niagara Falls 1, Hamilton 5.  
 Owen Sound 5, Brantford 3.  
 OTTAWA JUNIORS  
 Kitchener 4, Brantford 5.  
 OTTAWA SENIORS  
 Vernon 6, Kelowna 2.  
 QUEBEC JUNIORS  
 Trois-Rivieres 1, Montreal 16.  
 OTTAWA-QUEBEC JUNIORS  
 Toronto St. Mike's 10, Jonquiere 4.  
 MONTREAL JUNIORS  
 Winnipeg Barons 4, Brandon 1.  
 NORTHERN OTTAWA SENIORS  
 Sault Ste. Marie 2, Sudbury 2.  
 SASKATCHEWAN SENIORS  
 Yorkton 5, Regina 1.  
 Melville 2, Moose Jaw 8.

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# Duggan Still With Clippers

Merchants 4, V's 0; Nanaimo 5, Navy 2

By DENNY BOYD

Well, it was a nice thought while it lasted but, unfortunately for the Vancouver Island Commercial Hockey League goalies, Arnie Duggan is not going anywhere.

It had been reported that Duggan, spark-plug captain of the Nanaimo Clippers, was leaving Nanaimo for a three-game trial with Kelowna Packers of the Okanagan Senior Hockey League. And the way Duggan has been scoring this season, it appeared only a long-shot that he would be back here this season.

But there he was, as large as life Wednesday night at Memorial Arena as Clippers consolidated their league lead with a 5-2 victory over Navy. Duggan, having changed his mind about heading into the interior, made it clear that he was still about by scoring a goal and an assist to spark the second-period rally by Clippers that doomed the Navy outfit.

## HALL IN FORM

And another fellow who was back on the scene, Merchant goalie George Hall, also had himself a big night. Hall, who has sat out the last three Merchant games at home, was put back in the nets and responded with a glittering shutout over Victoria V's, Merchants holding onto second place by virtue of a 4-0 victory. It was Hall's second blanking of the season.

Hall was the name in lights in the first game. The agile youngster turned in a smart display of puck-blocking as V's had far more scoring opportunities than the score would indicate. However, the fact that they wasted many and had just as many stolen by Hall, nullified their attack.

Slender Nor Bremner got Merchants, away to the lead after a scoreless first period, counting two on passes from Phil Andrejckew and Bill Helgeson at 3:25 and 5:18, both goals being matters of opportunity. In the third period, Merchant Rudy Pishco got revenge for a cut on the neck he suffered earlier, scoring to make it 3-0 and Ab Wiebe terminated the scoring with a pretty slap shot from well out in the last minute and a half of the game.

## COME WITH RUSH

Nanaimo, still saving their best shot for the last two periods, fell behind when Joe Wood scored for Navy after only 40 seconds of play.

Winger Joe Zuback got that one back at 13:51 when he steamed in from right wing to convert Ed Shamlock's pass. Shamlock from Duggan put

Clippers ahead early in the second period and Duggan from Zuback and Shamlock made it official. Zuback and Lawrence Plensky got the other Nanaimo goals with Del Brown counting Navy's second tally.

## CHL SUMMARIES

GP W L T P A Pts  
 Nanaimo 23 14 6 3 110 80 674  
 Merchants 16 8 6 2 68 58 363  
 Victoria V's 15 7 6 2 97 68 467  
 Navy 16 3 12 1 51 80 219

Next game, Saturday: Victoria V's at Nanaimo, 9 p.m.

## VICTORIA V'S 0, MERCHANTS 4

First period—Scoring none. Penalties: Kowalsky 7:19, Bamrough 11:51.  
 Second period—1. Merchants, Bremner (Andrejckew) 3:25; 2. Merchants, Bremner (Helgeson) 5:18. Penalties: Jensen 4:0.

## NANAIMO 5, NAVY 2

First period—1. Navy, Wood (Wannamaker) 4:2; 2. Nanaimo, Zuback (Shamlock) 12:51. Penalty: McCarthy 14:55.  
 Second period—3. Nanaimo, Shamlock (Duggan) 2:13; 4. Nanaimo, Duggan (Shamlock, Zuback) 7:37; 5. Nanaimo, Zuback (Shamlock, Kemp) 7:50; 6. Nanaimo, L. Plensky 12:40. Penalties: McLean 6:13, Sutherland 8:37.  
 Third period—3. Navy, D. Brown (Bondi) 4:40. Penalties: D. Plensky 1:04, McLean 1:04.

## Norman Swim Coach

VANCOUVER (CP)—Veteran coach Percy Norman of the Vancouver Amateur Swimming Club has been chosen coach of Canada's swimming team for the 1954 British Empire Games here.



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## Sammy Lee Honored

NEW YORK (AP)—Major Sammy Lee, two-time Olympic platform diving champion, Wednesday was awarded the James E. Sullivan Memorial Trophy as the outstanding United States amateur athlete of 1953. Lee, born of Korean parents in California; is attached to an army evacuation hospital at Seoul, Korea.

## Flanagan Wins Split Decision

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—Del Flanagan unleashed a flaming finish Wednesday night to gain a 10-round split decision over Johnny Saxton, No. 3 welter-weight contender. Flanagan, known as a jab artist, turned slugger in the closing rounds to wipe out a lead which Saxton's blistering body punches had built up during the middle sessions. Both fighters weighed 149 1/2 lbs.

EDMONTON (CP)—Utility forward Buddy Boone of Edmonton Flyers has been sent on loan to Sherbrooke of the Quebec Hockey League so he can see more action.

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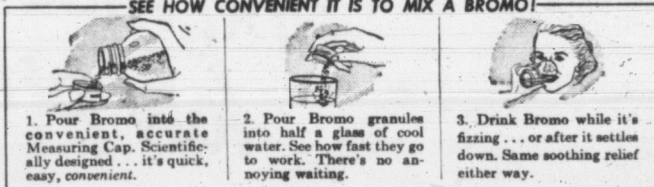
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# Memorable Happenings Throughout 1953

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### JANUARY

5—British airliner crashes near Belfast; 27 dead.  
8—Prime Minister Churchill visits Washington.  
9—Korean passenger ship sinks near Pusan, 233 drowned.  
12—Paul-Emile Leger, archbishop of Montreal, becomes cardinal.  
16—Premier Naguib dissolves all Egyptian political parties.  
20—Dwight D. Eisenhower inaugurated 34th U.S. president.  
30—Fire at Pusan, Korea, leaves 9,000 homeless; damage over \$3,000,000.  
31—Irish sea ferry Princess Victoria sunk in storm; 132 lost.

### FEBRUARY

2—North sea floods inundate English, Netherlands, Belgian coasts.  
3—Dutch Red Cross sets figure for flood dead and missing at 1,783.  
16—British House of Commons denationalizes trucking business.  
24—Field-Marshal Gerd von Rundstedt, 77, dies in Germany.

### MARCH

5—Joseph Stalin dies in Moscow.  
6—Georgi Malenkov becomes Russian premier; Voroshilov is new president of Soviet Union.  
7—North Korean prisoners of war riot at Yonchon; 23 killed.  
12—RAF bomber shot down by two Soviet jets in Germany; six killed.  
13—Russia vetoes UN Security Council recommendation to appoint L. B. Pearson as secretary-general, succeeding Trygve Lie.

14—President Klement Gottwald of Czechoslovakia dies at Prague.  
16—Marshall Tito of Yugoslavia arrives in London for state visit.  
18—West Germany agrees to pay \$822,000,000 reparations to Israel for Nazi persecution of Jews.  
19—UN guards quell riots of Communist officers prisoners in Korea.  
21—Premier Antonin Zapotocky, 68, elected Czechoslovakia president.  
24—Queen Mary, 85, dies at Marlborough House, London.  
26—U.S. troops forced off "Old Baldy" in bitter Korea fighting; Mao Mau terrorists kill 300 Africans in Kenya.  
28—Chinese and North Koreans accept UN proposals for exchange of sick and wounded prisoners.

### APRIL

4—Ex-King Carol of Romania, 59, dies at Lisbon; 99 Turk sailors lost when Turk submarine collides with Swedish freighter off Turkey; Russia announces charges dropped against 15 Soviet doctors accused of assassination plots.  
7—UN General Assembly approves Dag Hammarskjöld of Sweden as secretary-general.  
8—Ten killed in subway train crash at London, Eng.  
9—Britain rejects terms as majority of 46 nations sign international wheat agreement.  
11—Allies and Reds sign POW exchange agreement at Panmunjom.  
15—Prime Minister Malan wins South African election.  
24—Winston Churchill becomes Knight of the Order of the Garter.

### MAY

2—British Comet jet airliner crashes near Calcutta, 43 killed.  
7—Communists agree to leave in Korea prisoners who do not wish repatriation after armistice.  
11—Fifteen lost, 16 saved, as freighter Henry Steinwender founders in Lake Superior.  
15—Heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano knocks out Jersey Joe Walcott in first round at Chicago.  
16—Moscow announced pardon for William Oatis, AP correspondent imprisoned at Prague in 1951 for espionage.  
21—Tornado at Sarnia, Ont., cause, \$4,000,000 damage; four deaths in surrounding district.  
25—Atomic shell fired from cannon by U.S. army in Nevada.  
29—E. P. Hillary of New Zealand and native guide Bhoti Tensing reach summit of Mount Everest.

JUNE  
2—Queen Elizabeth II crowned at Westminster Abbey.  
6—Hillary and British Everest



A Queen Is Crowned

4—Maj.-Gen. William Dean, U.S. army prisoner in Korea, released by Communists.  
6—Chancellor Konrad Adenauer wins slim majority in West German elections.  
11—Mrs. Melinda Maclean, wife of missing British diplomat, vanishes from Geneva with three children.  
15—Madame Vijaya Pandit, 53, sister of India's Prime Minister Nehru, succeeds Pearson as president of UN General Assembly.  
18—Kenya Supreme Court passes death sentences on 44 Mau Mau terrorists.  
21—Communist pilot lands Russian-built jet at Kimpo airport to claim \$100,000 reward and political asylum in U.S.  
24—Rocky Marciano retains heavyweight title by technical knockout over Roland LaStarza in 11th round at New York.  
25—Anti-Communist Chinese prisoners demonstrate at Panmunjom against Indian custodians.  
26—Britain ends sugar rationing after 14 years.  
29—Mayor Ernst Reuter of Berlin, 64, dies of heart attack.

Hungarian prison for "espionage."  
19—Mossadegh ousted from Iran premiership; surrenders to new Premier Zahedi.  
22—Shah of Iran returns from brief Rome banishment to Tehran.  
27—Wilbert Coffin, 37, prosecutor charged with murder of three American hunters in Gaspe.

### SEPTEMBER

2—Gen. Jonathan Wainwright, 70, defender of Corregidor, dies at San Antonio, Texas.

### OCTOBER

1—Former Egyptian premier Abdel Hadi sentenced at Cairo to be hanged for treason.  
5—New York Yankees win fifth straight world series, beating Brooklyn Dodgers four games to two.  
6—Britain sends warships and troops to avert threatened Communist coup in British Guiana.  
7—Body of kidnapped Bobby Greenlease, 6, found at St. Joseph, Mo.; police arrest C. A.



Dictator Dies

Hall, 37, and Mrs. Bonnie Heady, 41.  
8—Mobs in Belgrade smash windows of foreign embassies, protesting Anglo-American withdrawal from Trieste area.  
9—Britain assumes control of British Guiana as state of emergency declared; ousts Premier Cheddi Jagan.  
13—Sir Winston Churchill awarded Nobel literature prize.  
14—Belgian airliner crashes at Frankfurt, in Germany; 44 dead.  
15—Britain explodes atomic weapon at Woomera range in Australia.  
16—Big aircraft carrier Leyte wrecked by explosion at Boston; 30 dead.  
21—Bobo Olson of San Francisco captures vacant world

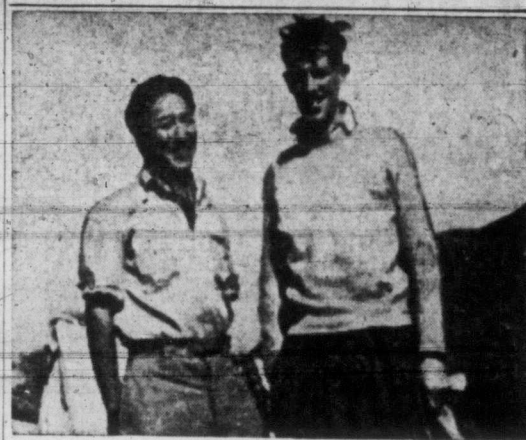
middle-weight title, beating Randy Turpin of England in New York.  
22—Churchill government wins confidence vote on suspension of British Guiana constitution.  
28—U.S. army account says more than 6,000 Americans probably were among thousands tortured or massacred by Reds in Korea.  
29—Nineteen killed when British Commonwealth Pacific Airline plane crashes near San Francisco.  
30—Gen. George C. Marshall, American soldier-statesman, wins Nobel peace prize.

### NOVEMBER

4—Pro-Italians battle police in riots at Trieste.  
8—Israeli Premier David Ben-Gurion, 68, resigns.  
9—King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia, 75, dies at Bahrain.  
12—British Parliament passes Regency Act, making Edinburgh instead of Princess Margaret regent in event of Queen's death or incapacity.  
14—Eisenhower addresses joint session of Commons, Senate, at Ottawa.  
22—British museum experts say Piltdown skull is partly hoax.  
23—Elizabeth and Duke of Edinburgh leave on Commonwealth tour.  
24—UN Security Council censures Israel for border raid in which 53 Arabs killed in October.

### DECEMBER

4—Big Three conference at Bermuda arranges four-power foreign ministers' conference at Berlin.  
8—Eisenhower in UN General Assembly speech proposes nations should form international atomic pool.  
12—Panmunjom talks to arrange Korea peace conference break down; U.S. envoy Arthur Dean withdraws from sessions.  
14—NATO Council at Paris hears U.S. State Secretary Dulles warn that U.S. would have to consider revising basic policy if European army including Germany is not formed soon.  
17—Russian government announced Beria confessed to traitorous plot.  
18—Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Heady executed at Jefferson City, Mo., for kidnapping of Greenlease boy.  
20—Elizabeth and Philip leave Tonga Islands en route to New Zealand.  
21—Mossadegh sentenced by court-martial at Tehran to three years in prison for treason;



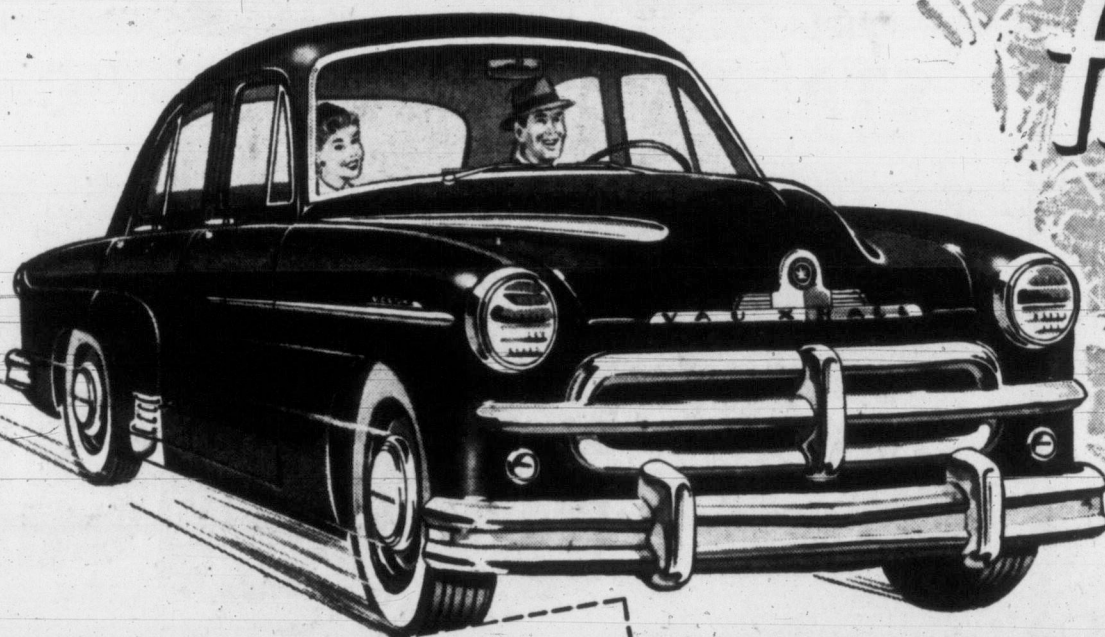
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Russia expresses willingness to discuss Eisenhower's atomic pool plan.  
23—Moscow announces L. P. Beria and six others shot for treason; Rene Coty, 71, elected French president after 13 ballots.



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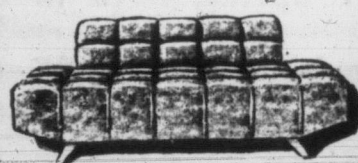
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All-wool Axminster broadloom offered at a saving of \$2 per yard! Rich, deep pile in 2-tone green . . . ideal wall-to-wall carpeting at special price! 9' wide. **8<sup>95</sup>**  
Square yard,

BAY Floor Coverings, Fourth Floor

Special purchase of  
drapery fabrics and  
linings at low prices



Reg. 2.50 to 2.95 fabrics in 5 to 15-yard pieces. Assorted patterns and colors. 50". Sale price, yard **1<sup>00</sup>**

46" homespuns, reg. 1.59 to 2.49. Plain and figures . . . in assorted colors. Special price, yard **1<sup>19</sup>**

48" ecru lining in 2 to 10-yard lengths. Seconds of a 1.25 line . . . but flaws are slight. Sold by the piece at, yard, **49<sup>c</sup>**

Washable prints, reg. to 98c. 36" wide . . . in 15 to 30-yard lengths. Specially priced at 1/2 off! Yd. **49<sup>c</sup>**

42" cotton marquisette to dress up kitchen windows attractively, economically. Reg. 49c to 98c. Special, yard **39<sup>c</sup>**

Reg. 5.95 rayon panels . . . first quality, wash-easily. 42"x81" size in eggshell color. Special Saturday price, pair **3<sup>00</sup>**

BAY Draperies, Fourth Floor

## Special purchase! Blouses . . . in many styles, fabrics and colors!

Dainty blouses, tailored blouses . . . styled with three-quarter or short sleeves. Fashionable numbers to wear with suit or party skirt . . . to bring compliments every time. Wide assortment of colors in sizes 12 to 42. Each

**2<sup>99</sup>**

Tweed skirts . . . the all-time favorite for campus and career wear. Styles include group pleating, front centre pleats and panel pleats in choice of pastel shades. 12-20. Ea.

**3<sup>99</sup>**

Bolero shrugs, 100% wool styled with three-quarter sleeves. White, red, pink, blue, navy, red . . . the ideal topper to enhance any outfit, new or old. Broken sizes. Each

**2<sup>66</sup>**

BAY Junior Apparel, Second Floor



## First at the Bay! Spring colors in new nylon sheers

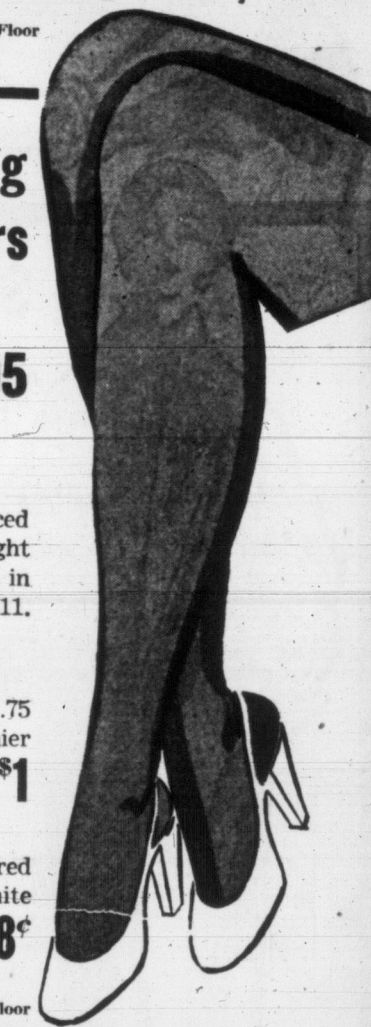
Pair **1<sup>09</sup>** 2 pairs **1<sup>95</sup>**

Fully-fashioned nylons, styled for leg-flattery, priced budgeted, fashion-conscious woman. Sheer 51-15 weight . . . with wanted dark seams, slim panel heels . . . in light-as-air shades for Spring smartness! 8 1/2-11. Available also in 45-30 service weight.

Snag-resistant, run-resistant nylons, seconds of a 1.75 line. Sheer 51-gauge, 12-denier, and 51-gauge, 15-denier in choice of two go-with-everything shades. 8 1/2-11. Pair **\$1**

Pure wool shortie gloves, reg. 1.50 and 1.98 . . . cleared by the manufacturer at savings of over 1/2 and 1/2. White and pastel shades in sizes S.M.L. Buy now for yourself and for gifts . . . and SAVE! Pair **88<sup>c</sup>**

BAY Gloves and Hosiery, Street Floor



Novel hastie notes,  
regular 59c a box,  
at almost half price

Novel design on front, plain on the inside . . . 12 to a box, with matching envelopes. Folded to 3 1/2"x4 1/2" size. Box, **29<sup>c</sup>**

BAY Stationery, Street Floor

1/2 price sale of \$1  
boxed stationery! . . .  
24 notes, envelopes

Folded note-size stationery of good quality Vellum paper, with matching envelopes. Specially priced at, box, **49<sup>c</sup>**

BAY Stationery, Street Floor

Scotch fingering  
2-oz. hanks, 3-ply  
in favorite colors!

Buy now for socks and sweaters and really save! This first quality wool was specially purchased at rock-bottom prices. Hank, **39<sup>c</sup>**

BAY Wools, Street Floor

Plastic "Puddle Peds"  
pocket rainboots with  
skid-resistant soles

For wedgies, medium and high heels . . . for rain use, for garden use. Completely waterproof, fold to purse size. Pair **79<sup>c</sup>**

BAY Notions, Street Floor

Cotton oven mitts at  
special low price due  
to very minor flaws!

You save because they're seconds, but flaws won't affect durability. Gay colors and patterns. Buy a pair at this low price. Single mitt, **14<sup>c</sup>**

BAY Notions, Street Floor

Plastic tablecloths  
54"x54" and 54"x72",  
in red, green and blue

Colorful, practical plastic cloths in floral and large square patterns . . . some with silver and gold lace effect. Each **\$1**

BAY Notions, Street Floor

Costume jewelry by  
famous maker! Reg. \$1  
and 1.50. You save!

Necklets, pins, earrings, bracelets . . . white and yellow metals, simulated stones and pearls. Specially purchased to sell for only, Each **59<sup>c</sup>**

BAY Jewelry, Street Floor

Spring assortment of  
spun rayon dresses  
at special price!

Easy-to-laundry spun rayons. Button down the front or to the waist; short or cap sleeves. Florals, in sizes 12 to 20, 18 1/2 to 24 1/2. Each **4<sup>49</sup>**

BAY Housedresses, Second Floor

Look! The Bay's big  
January fur sale  
continues Saturday!

With once-a-year savings on fine quality fur coats and jackets! Read the Bay's ad in Wednesday Times, Thursday Colonist for details of all the terrific values!

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- Low prices that guarantee you at least 25% savings at the Bay Saturday!



## Special purchase! 1200 better blouses from a leading manufacturer. Save 1.95 to 5.95!

- Specially priced because of very minor imperfections!
- Nylons, crepes, failles, wool jerseys, alluracels!
- Dressy and tailored styles, ¾ and short sleeves! Each . . .
- Well made and beautifully fashioned for style wear!
- Sizes 12 to 20 . . . in ever-popular white and colors!

1.50, 1.98 pure silk squares!

First quality squares, all with machine-stitched hems . . . specially purchased to sell for ¼ to ½ off and more! Wide assortment of colors and patterns, generous 32"x32" size.

**88¢** Each

Neckwear at less than half price!

Collars and cuffs, vestees, jabots . . . all reg. 1.98 and 2.98, cleared by a well-known manufacturer. Cottons, nylons, piques, velvets in the group . . . offered at outstanding savings!

**79¢** Each

BAY Dress Accessories, Street Floor



## Spring sample coats, all wool...in NEW '54 styles!

**\$29** Each

60 only . . . 25 reg. 39.95, 20 reg. \$45, and 17 reg. 49.95 . . . at savings of 10.95 to \$16! Imported wool fleeces, alpaca with wool, tweeds, novelties, wool with mohair in Spring '54's versions of the loose and fitted styles. Colors include natural, blue, off-white, peach, green, grey, camel. 12, 14, 16.

Pay \$5 now, \$5 monthly

## Sample suits reg. 39.95 to \$55! All new Spring styles!

"One of a kind" sample suits . . . 5 reg. 39.95, 11 reg. \$45, 8 reg. 49.95 and 4 reg. \$55. 100% wool worsteds, worsted tweeds and repps in classic, semi-classic, dressmaker and boxy styles. Grey, teal, tan, blue, natural . . . 12, 14, 16½.

**\$29** Each

Pay \$5 now, \$5 monthly

BAY Women's Coats and Suits, Second Floor

## 350 new Spring dresses! 24 styles! 8 fabrics!

**\$5** Each

Including the new washable nylonized prints! . . . also silk surrah prints, chromspun taffetas, tica tinas, check sharkskins, ottoman, crepes and rayon prints. Plain navy, and pastels in florals and geometrics. 12-20; 18½-24½.

BAY Women's Dresses, Second Floor

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## Color flaws mean big savings Saturday on jacket-style flannelette pajamas!

Specially purchased pajamas of fleecy-soft flannelette . . . classed as seconds, because colors are slightly off. Button-front jacket with belt . . . in sizes S, M, L. Assorted colors.

**2<sup>39</sup>** Special price, pair

Reg. 1.50 nylon tricot panties at savings of ¼! First quality, in dainty brief style . . . quick drying and long wearing. Snowy white in sizes S, M, L.

**\$1** Special, pair

Nylon tricot cuff panties, tailored short-leg style fashioned for comfort and designed to give long wear. Ever-popular white in sizes S, M, L.

**1<sup>17</sup>** Special, pair

BAY Lingerie, Second Floor



## Spec. purchase! Reg. 6.95 zipper girdles with heavy nylon tummy-flattening panel!

Thrifty shoppers will save over \$2 Saturday on these first quality girdles with power net sides, satin-elastic back panel, heavy nylon front panel . . . designed to give firm, comfortable control. White, S, M, L.

**4<sup>88</sup>** Each

Reg. 4.50 girdle ideal for the junior figure type. Pull on style with power net sides, satin-elastic panels, 3" elastic waistband. S. and M. only. Each

Save almost ½ on reg. 5.95 girdles. All have power net sides, some with nylon panels (white), some with satin elastic panels (pink). S.M.L. Each

BAY Foundation Garments, Second Floor



## Manufacturer's samples! Spring hats in newest colors, styles! Regular 4.95 to 5.95

One-of-a-kind Spring hats . . . including whites, brights, beiges and pastels! Straws and felts in the group, in trim off-the-face styles that flatter the face, complement the ensemble. Choose several and stretch your fashion budget!

**3<sup>99</sup>** Each

Reg. 7.95-9.95 felts and straws . . . one-of-a-kind samples of new Spring lines. Plain straws and tweed straws in white and pastels with ribbon and flower trims. Special sale price, each

Reg. 10.95-13.95 Spring hats . . . one-of-a-kind pastel felts and straws. Many colors, and white, in the group . . . choice of NEW styles! Each

BAY Millinery, Second Floor

## 9 A.M. Specials

Sale! Boys' oxfords with leather uppers, crepe soles. Moccasin vamp style in brown. Broken sizes.

Special price, pair **2<sup>99</sup>**  
BAY Men's Shoes, Street Floor

Washable cottons . . . gay print dresses with short or cap sleeves, self belt. White pique and lattice work trim. 14 to 20 . . . 14½ to 24½.

Special, each **2<sup>49</sup>**  
BAY Housewares, Second Floor

Personal shopping only!

Reg. 79c briefs, rayon and cotton in comfortable tailored style. White in S, M, L. 3 pairs **\$1**  
BAY Lingerie, Second Floor

## 2 P.M. SPECIALS

Personal shopping only

Sale! Felt hats offered Saturday at a fraction of their regular prices! Broken colors and styles. No exchanges. Special price, each **50¢**

BAY Millinery, Second Floor

Rayon ½ slips, reg. \$1 . . . circular rayon knit in white with pastel trim. S.M.L. Special price for Saturday brings savings of more than ¾. To thrifty shoppers. Each **29¢**  
BAY Lingerie, Second Floor



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*Here it is!  
the Sale You've waited for*

# the BAY'S January White Sale

begins with a BANG on Saturday, with top bargains at giant ONCE-A-YEAR SAVINGS!

## Extra-special purchase! Seconds of higher-price sheets

"Empire" cotton sheets with 128 threads per inch. Snowy white with plain hems . . . long-wearing, smooth to the touch, an all-round good "buy"!

72"x90"	72"x108"	81"x108"
2 <sup>78</sup> ea	2 <sup>98</sup> ea	3 <sup>28</sup> ea

"Onelda" brand fine cotton with 140 threads per inch. Plain hems that will stand up after repeated washings. Snowy white, in choice of 3 wanted sizes.

54"x90"	81"x108"	90"x108"
2 <sup>48</sup> ea	3 <sup>58</sup> ea	4 <sup>18</sup> ea

Extra fine percale . . . over 180 threads per inch . . . gift-quality sheets that would be appreciated by any home-maker. Plain hems . . . in sparkling white.

72"x108"	81"x108"	90"x108"
3 <sup>98</sup> ea	4 <sup>38</sup> ea	4 <sup>68</sup> ea

## Fitted sheets! Need no ironing, offer smooth comfort at savings

Soft, first quality white cotton sheets designed to hug your mattress, stay smooth and straight under the most active sleeper! Enjoy new slumber-comfort now . . . and save! Twin size, pr.

5.49

Double bed size . . . first quality . . . in snowy white. Buy for your own home . . . for always-appreciated gifts. Pr.

6.49

## Sale! Colored Sheets and cases To harmonize with bedroom colors

First quality cotton in luscious pastel shades that will brighten your room . . . add that finishing touch to your interior decorating. Choice of rose, blue, green and yellow.

7.98

Twin bed size, pr.

Double bed size, pr. 8.98 Pillow cases, pr. 1.58

## Fresh white percale pillow cases

First quality fine cotton pillow cases cello-wrapped to retain their snowy whiteness. 42" size . . . with plain hems. Stock up now at this money-saving price. Pr.

1.78

## Budget-price 42" pillow cases

Smooth white cotton that will wear and wear . . . take many launderings and still look crisp and fresh. Specially priced for once-a-year savings at only, pr.

1.46

## Flannelette Sheets strong whipped ends

70"x90"	80"x90"
Pair 5 <sup>88</sup>	Pair 6 <sup>88</sup>

Soft, warm flannelette sheets, made in England of top quality cotton! Made to last through countless washings, many months wear!

## 70"x90" fllette sheets

Hardwearing, single bed size . . . white sheets have pastel-colored borders, are specially purchased to make this low price possible! Each

2<sup>78</sup>

BAY Staples, Street Floor

## Soft foam rubber pillows, smooth white cotton covers

Sink into sleep comfortably with the softest pillow ever invented! Full size foam rubber pillows, covered with fresh white cotton. Slight flaws. Each

4.99

All wool rugs . . . EXTRA LARGE! . . . Approximately 60"x80"! Comfortable, soft, plaid patterned rugs for car seat or couch. Each

7.98

## Pure wool blankets

Top quality, rainbow striped blankets 70"x84" that give you warmth without weight! Each

10.98

Wool blankets . . . Grey blankets 60"x84" that will give you years of wear, despite small flaws in the weaving. Each

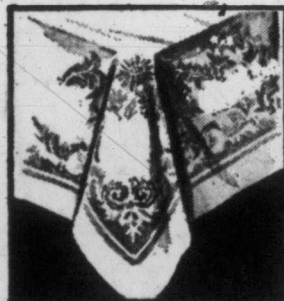
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## Rayon bed spreads

Rose, blue, wine, green. Twin and double bed size. Easily laundered. Slight flaws. Each

3.99

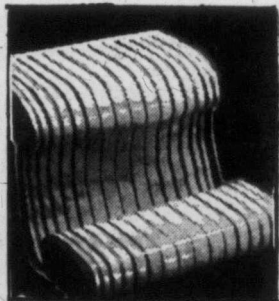
BAY Staples, Street Floor



## Rayon Damask Table Cloths

Reg. 3.98! 54"x54" cloths in creamy ivory shade, accentuated by colored borders in green, gold, blue. Special, each

2.98



## Multi-stripe tea towels, 17"x29"

Super-absorbent Irish linen towels that wear, wear, wear! Naturally, they're first quality, are specially purchased to bring savings! Each

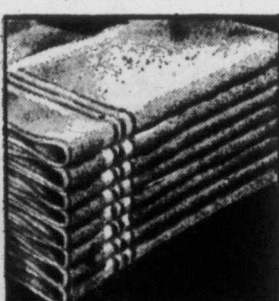
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## Striped pattern terry towels . . .!

20"x40" . . . Wonderfully soft, wonderfully absorbent! You'll want a dozen of these at this low price. Special, each

54.¢



## Pink, yellow, aqua Cannon towels . . .!

Beautiful bath towels, so soft they're a delight to use, generous size, too: 20"x40". Slight flaws class as subs. Each

74.¢

BAY Staples, Street Floor

## Mail Order Department

Hudson's Bay Company, Victoria, B.C.

Please include 3% B.C. tax

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## 9 o'clock specials! Personal Shopping Only

### Personal shopping only

Pillow cases—Fresh white cases of smooth white cotton . . . Made to last, specially purchased to sell at a low price! Each

48.¢

Pacific sheets—Regular 8.89 pair! Greatly reduced in price! Extra strength muslin, 72"x108" Limit one pair per customer. Pair

5.95

12" x 12" face cloths—Regular 49¢ . . . soft, fluffy terry cloth in pastel shades. Each

19.¢

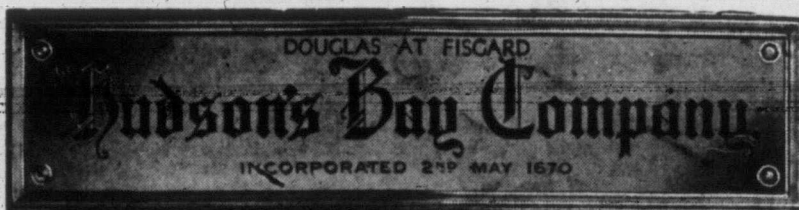
Tea towels—Absorbent cotton towels in colorful multi-stripe pattern. Hardwearing, handy-to-have. Each

9.¢

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# SAVE Saturday! at the BAY'S January 2-Trouser

## SUIT SALE!

Look at the Fabrics! Look at the Styles  
Look at the Low-Low Price and SAVE

Special purchase from a leading maker!  
Men's and young men's 2-trouser suits . . .  
tailored from 100% wool fabrics! Each



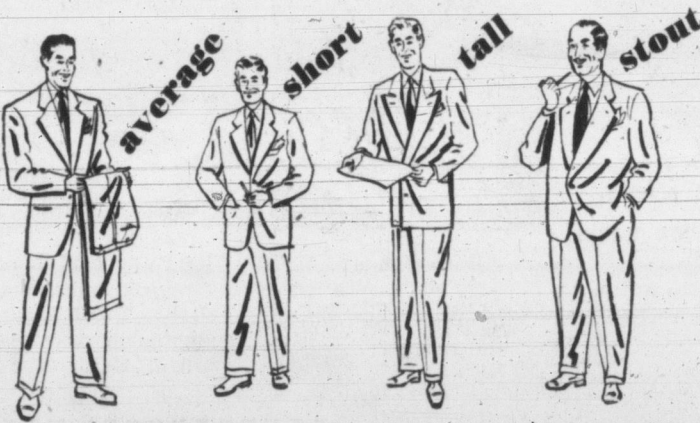
- Yarn-dyed worsteds and worsted flannels
- Choose single or double-breasted style
- Extra pair of trousers to double the wear!
- Blues, browns, greys, charcoal, and oxford
- Plains, pic 'n pics, neat checks or stripes
- 35 to 46 . . . regulars, tall, shorts, stouts

Yours for only **\$5** now **8<sup>95</sup>** monthly

We did it again! . . . made a special purchase from a leading manufacturer during his quiet season and struck one of the best bargains yet! 100% wool 2-trouser suits, expertly tailored in your favorite styles . . . and designed to fit with an honest-to-goodness made-to-measure look! Colors are the most popular, patterns are "best-sellers" . . . and, men, the low, LOW price makes this a value that's just too good to miss!

Price with one pair trousers, 41.98

BAY Men's Clothing, Street Floor



Door-opening special! Regular 49.50 all-wool gabardine, fleece tweed topcoats! You save \$14!

**\$35**

Low priced at just

Best price we've seen yet on top quality coats. In popular single-breasted slip-on models, some with zip-in lining! 35-46, including tall, shorts, regulars.

Pay only \$5 now—\$5 monthly.

50 only! Be early for best selection

BAY Men's Clothing, Street Floor

**Tough, wear-long cotton gabardine sport shirts; 4 colors!**



Wine, blue, green, tan . . . Smartly tailored for your growing boy 6 to 14! Cotton gabardine shirts with long, warm sleeves. Your youngster needs one of these . . . for school wear and playtime . . . Specially purchased to bring you this low price! All top quality shirts.

**2<sup>49</sup>**

Each

**Boys' 'Sanforized' cotton flannel sport shirts**

Warm, comfortable to wear . . . won't shrink when washed! Colorful check or plaid shirts that can be worn time and time again, still look fresh, will take all the hard wear your youngster can give! Sizes 6-14. Low price, each

**2<sup>19</sup>**

BAY Boys' Wear, Street Floor

Dial E 7111

Store Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Men's Stanfield combinations, regular 12.95 and 13.95, now at \$6 and \$7 savings!

**Special 6<sup>95</sup>**

Stanfield combinations with the "Security label"! Won't shrink when washed . . . will give you months of comfortable wear! Silk and wool or all-wool de luxe models with long sleeves, button front. Cream. 38-46.



BAY Men's Furnishings, Street Floor

**Saturday Shoe Clinic Special**  
Ladies' leather lifts. Reg. 50c Special **39c**  
Men's Cat-ex soles and rubber heels. Reg. \$5. Special **4.49**  
BAY Shoe Clinic, Street Floor

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# What Do You Think Greater Victoria Needs Most in 1954?

With the New Year on their doorstep, residents of Greater Victoria from all walks of life were asked by Times reporters what they think "we need in 1954." Their answers were varied, although many called for a civic auditorium and there were numerous duplications on "an improved ferry service between the Island and the mainland."

Here they are:

Louis Audon, machinist, 929 Island Road: "More recreational facilities which would increase interest in sports in the area."

Mrs. Arthur Ash, president, elect. Liberal Women's Forum: "A concentrated program for youth combining services of all interesting clubs and social workers, and whose effort would be to decrease any trend toward juvenile delinquency."

Mrs. Lillian Barker, chiropractor, 1157 McClure: "More peaceful politics."

Fred Jeune, manufacturer, 737 Haliburton Road: "I think more attention should be paid to the assets we have here, the natural beauty, to attract and hold tourists."

Miss Frances Patterson, secretary, 304 Robertson Street: "A civic auditorium where music would combine with an arts centre."

Edward W. Watson, contractor, 502 Dallas Road: "Industry, and more industry."

Harry Maat, refrigeration engineer, 711 Blanshard: "Tourists are dumbfounded here to find stores closed Wednesday

afternoons. They should be open during tourist months, and clerks paid accordingly."

Ted L'Heureux, waiter, 791 Pandora Avenue: "We need more industry."

Nichola Jossul, army pensioner, Drake Hotel: "We need the loop completed from Jordan River to Port Alberni."

Mrs. Ernest Evans, vice-president, Canadian Homes and Schools and Parent-Teacher Federation: "A public recognition of the needs of our children for adequate school and recreational facilities."

Howard Phillips, photographer, 3905 Cadboro Bay Road: "Traffic and parking in Victoria needs revision."

Gerald Cross, lawyer, 1421 Stadacona Avenue: "Here we need an increase in cultural activities, and less emphasis on such matters as the Point Ellice bridge."

George Martin, department manager, 361 Arnold Avenue: "More industry and more amusement outlets."

Ald. Frank Mulliner: "Stable wage conditions and a lower city mill rate if consistent with efficient administration."

Richard H. Reeve, chairman of Greater Victoria School Board: "Schools. Additional school accommodation is our greatest need."

Ald. Brent Murdoch: "I think we would be very appreciative if we could get the senior government to pay us taxes on

land and improvements the same as anyone else."

Ald. Robert Macmillan: "A bridge between here and the mainland."

W. J. "Bill" Clark, manager of the Dominion Hotel: "Transport is the key. What Victoria and the whole Island needs is more fast, comfortable service to and from the mainland."

John A. Christie, financial manager, B.C. Power Commission: "Amalgamation of the Greater Victoria areas first. Then advertising of this city as the finest residential spot in Canada, with every amenity for restful and zestful living."

Jack C. Beasall, commercial grower, 255 Battleford: "A concerted effort to start a botanical garden."

Clair Atha, school teacher, 444 Stannard: "More animals, birds and other attractions for children in Beacon Hill Park, and more restrooms."

William C. Hudson, office manager, Great West Life: "More visitors—but that needs a common-sense approach to the problem of providing the means for them to dispose of their spending funds while they are in 'Victoria.'"

Tim F. Heiberg, life underwriter, 925 Foul Bay: "More pride in our city; act and work accordingly, less politics and fewer undercover deals."

R. H. Moffatt, retired accountant, 419 St. Charles: "A civic auditorium not only for the symphony but for conventions and other gatherings."

Capt. Norman A. Foster, retired secretary Victoria Chamber of Commerce: "United effort towards more publicity in the United States regarding our city; concentrated action by our citizens for Mayor Harrison's idea of an Indian museum."

Jack W. Simpson, fir finisher, 315 Beechwood: "Clear the waterfront all along the Dallas Road."

Mrs. Angelo Sposito, housewife, 422 Kingston: "More cottages for elderly people so we can get them out of basements and attics."

H. Wyndham Thomas, civil servant, Sturdee Street: "More houses that people in the low or medium income brackets can rent or buy reasonably."

Mrs. Mildred Fyfe, 444 Stannard: "Adequate bus transportation in the Richardson-Fairfield district."

Phil Hains, free lance writer, 1156 May: "Encouragement to all those who endorse free enterprise but oppose monopolistic combines."

W. A. McMahon, real estate salesman, Newsteads: "Participation in a national housing scheme under which young people who need homes most may be able to buy them with a low equity."

Geoffrey Edgewood, city alderman-elect: "The Gorge brought back as a swimming and recreational park."

William Halsey, steward, 1727 Kings: "More money invested in industrial enterprises."

Henry Jarvis, ex-city detective: "A central bus depot around which all buses would circle."

C. P. Lyons, Assistant Forester, B.C. Forest Service: "An attempt to provide varied and authentic attractions for tourists which will give Victoria a genuine rating as 'a place one must visit.'"

Ernest Protheroe, B.C. Government employee: "We ought to have a metropolitan police and fire force, wider arterial streets in downtown areas and a civic museum and archives."

Mrs. Elizabeth Watling, president, The White Canoe Club: "A concentrated effort to clean up and develop our beaches to make the waterfront an asset to the city and to the tourist trade."

Waldo Skillings, ex-city alder-

man: "A fair, impartial newspaper that will print the news and not try to interpret it for political reasons."

Mrs. Kate Farquharson, secretary: "More women to take an interest in all levels of government."

Tom Price, retailer, 1540 Linden: "More ice time and a better arrangement of times for youngsters to learn figure skating at Memorial Arena."

Fred Tanner, retailer, 3110 Alder: "A United Services centre where armed forces personnel could meet on a social and personal level with citizens in the population of Victoria."

Stan Jarvis, retired, 506 Niagara: "A model yacht lake for youngsters to sail their self-constructed boats."

Alan B. Macfarlane, lawyer: "A WIL championship and also a WIL winner."

Willard Ireland, Provincial Archivist: "A civic auditorium."

Stan Taylor, 22 Cambridge: "A hockey team."

James K. Nesbitt, newspaperman: "To develop its own unique atmosphere. For instance, there should be a festival of daffodils in the spring and a series of original potlaches at Thunderbird Park all summer."

Frank Hunter, city clerk: "Greater transportation facilities: more roads, improved ferry service and airport facilities."

Ed Bergeron, social worker, 1457 Hillside: "Less polit-

Bob Godel, factory superintendent, 962 Lovat: "A long-range plan to encourage new industries."

Jack Phillips, president of Victoria Kinsmen Club, 10 Phyllis Place: "A civic auditorium for conventions, indoor sports, entertainment groups, symphony concerts and other social events."

Mrs. May Campbell, 1740 Fort: "A better transportation system—and publicly-owned."

Frank Carr, 2056 Allenby: "A civic auditorium."

George Alexander, 2024 Carnarvon: "General prosperity and world peace."

Reg Berry, 1011 Pakington: "More traffic signs on dangerous crossroads and safety lanes for children in vicinity of schools."

Bill Guild, manager, broadcasting station CJVI: "A more active industrial development committee."

Miss Joan Chalmers, nurse, 1663 Rockland: "More of everything! Victoria's social life is dead... it needs more life, more parties, more men and more night clubs!"

Miss Margaret Dobrocky, school teacher, 309 Chester: "More recreational centres for 'teen-agers.'"

Mrs. Dave Shepherd, supervisor, Emergency Ward, Jubilee Hospital: "An outdoor salt water swimming pool, walled off from the ocean at Horseshoe Bay."

Miss Maureen Fitzgerald, aspiring actress, 369 Dennison: "A drama school combining ballet, fencing, history of theatre, make-up and voice production."

Miss Joan Edgar, business woman, 736 Falkland: "A civic auditorium with a large seat-

ing capacity and good acoustics for the advancement of cultural arts."

Penny Saver, Victoria Daily Times: "More males."

Mrs. E. S. Farr, president Victoria Women's Canadian Club: "A civic auditorium which could accommodate at least 2,000 and which would rent at a reasonable rate."

Mrs. Pat Young, stenographer, 1560 Rockland: "Put back the Richardson Street bus."

Lionel Walter, parts-department, National Motors: "A civic auditorium, a place for some real big shows."

Tom Cuff, Canadian Press: "More sensible pedestrians."

Lt.-Cmdr. Jim Golby (recently returned from France), Suite 16, Embassy Court: "More well-dressed women."

Colin Rutherford, A. E. Ames & Co. Ltd.: "An A-1 seafood restaurant, built on the waterfront to catch some of the tourist trade."

George I. Warren, Victoria Chamber of Commerce managing-secretary and Victoria-Island Publicity Bureau commissioner: "Community spirit—

co-operation one with the other—to get the things that Victoria needs."

Dr. Clifford Carl, director, Provincial Museum: "A garbage disposal system to stop our beaches from being littered."

John Tribe, Saanich municipal clerk: "Another ice arena so younger children can have more skating time."

Fred W. Hawes, president, Associated Chambers of Commerce of Vancouver Island: "A start, at least, on a west coast road."

William Mackie, weatherman: "More weather ships in the Pacific as aids to weather forecasting for the city."

Graham McCall, funeral director: "Restoration of the Gorge as a recreation, swimming, boating, and tourist attraction by undertaking the Gorge canal project."

Percy Rayment, Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council secretary: "Better and faster communication between Victoria and the mainland in the form of a passenger-car ferry operating between Swartz Bay and Vancouver."

Mrs. J. Ingram Smith, past

president, Baptist Women's Missionary Society of British Columbia: "A spiritual awakening so that people may rediscover the great fundamental truths and treasures in the Bible."

Walter Johnson, bus driver: "More and more industries."

H. M. Bigwood, SPCA office manager: "Car drivers with a little more patience and more consideration of others."

J. A. Cornthwaite, CCL Machinists' Union business agent: "More industries and payrolls, and better understanding between labor and management."

Robert Milliken, General Teamsters' Union agent: "More co-operation between drivers and pedestrians, and between individual drivers, to improve down-town traffic conditions."

P. J. Sinnott, lawyer: "A larger harbor with more facilities."

Athur Hall, deputy registrar of B.C. companies: "Improved ferry service between here and the mainland."

David Evans, civil servant: "Amalgamation of Greater Victoria municipalities."

Al Phillips, bus driver:

"Larger highways leading to Victoria."

Larry Huck, civil servant: "A civic auditorium."

C. H. Carpenter, SPCA inspector: "A sports club for young people."

Ed Haw, financial secretary, IWA: "Increased traffic regulations to facilitate the movement of the constantly increasing number of cars on city streets."

Robert Smeal, Victoria Labor Council president: "More secondary industries to stabilize our economy and make greater use of the city's primary products."

Charles A. Miller, service station operator: "A bridge to the mainland."

J. Einar Brynjolfsson, 775 Hampshire Road, Paint Supply Co. Ltd. salesman: "Parking-space downtown."

William J. Hamilton, police commissioner: "Amalgamation of essential forces of the four municipalities to increase efficiency and eliminate duplication."

J. MacKenzie, co-owner Monterey Restaurant, 1320 Purcell: "Attractions that would lengthen the tourist season beyond mid-September. Good calibre horse-racing would do this."

John W. Armour, architect: "Put the power lines underground and improve the buildings in the business district so the same general atmosphere of the Inner Harbor spreads uptown."

C. M. "Bob" Nelles, chairman, Tourist Trade planning group: "Just what Mayor Claude L. Harrison has said... an enlarged Thunderbird Park."

James F. Murray, seaman, 50 Simcoe: "More industry. Also, let's forget the 'little bit of old England' and face our problems as Canadians."

Mrs. J. C. B. Keane, housewife, Boleskine Road: "Definitely an auditorium. But some decent roads are high on the list, too."

Dave Armstrong, owner-manager of radio station CKDA: "A fast ferry service from the tip of the Saanich peninsula to the mainland to join B.C.'s two major cities."

Bill Bayliss, outgoing president of Victoria Shriners Club: "A fast ferry service to Vancouver to speed freight shipments from lower Vancouver Island."

Brook Henry, appliance salesman, 3386 Connaught Lane: "A more adequate street lighting system in residential sections of Greater Victoria."

Jim Johnson, butcher, 3671 Tillikum: "An all-out effort to fight polio."

John Gooder, retired, 1748 Coronation: "More schools in the Greater Victoria area to accommodate pupils presently attending school and to look after future students."

Frank Doherty, salesman, 3054 Wascana: "Continued and improved facilities for rehabilitation of polio victims."

Ed Ash, rigger foreman, 2522 Blackwood: "Peace with the world and more employment."

Wallace Courtney, district manager, TCA: "A civic auditorium."

Les Stewart, barber, 1405 Douglas: "More courtesy."

Joe Dukowski, manager Memorial Arena: "A simple annex to the arena where a sheet of ice would be available to city children more often than at present."

Arthur Laing, B.C. Liberal leader: "A capital city grant in lieu of taxes on government buildings."

G. Conway Parrott, managing director V.I. Coach Lines and chairman of Chamber of Commerce's Tourist Trade group: "A capacious concert hall auditorium, designed to fulfill the growing cultural and entertainment needs of residents and visitors."

Bert Buller, 2735 Lincoln: "A system of athletic clubs in all the high school districts to serve and promote all kinds of sports among teen-agers with clubhouse facilities."

George H. Wheaton, contractor, president Victoria Chamber of Commerce: "More general acceptance of the responsibilities, as well as the benefits, of citizenship."

Ollie Corbett, 1180 Oliver: "A wooden floor for Memorial Arena."

George Harknett, 2778 Murray: "An athletic park run by a commission so that all sports with a drawing power could use it."

Ed. H. McKinty, contractor, president Victoria Building Industries Exchange: "More Victorians to do more about getting for Victoria the things the city needs."

## Victoria Daily Times

VICTORIA, B.C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1953

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### Marilyn Bassett, Ann Coleman Top Scholars in College Years



ANN COLEMAN



MARILYN BASSETT

### Old Sol Hides Face in Shame For '53 Record

By sunset tonight the weatherman will have written 1953 in the record books as the year of the all-time minimum sunshine total in the city—1,351.3 hours.

Normal sunshine for 365 days is 2,205.7 hours, established over 39 years of recording at Gonzales Observatory.

Weatherman William Mackie said today that lower totals were recorded at the Post Office prior to the move to Gonzales in 1914, but that smoke, low fog, and physical obstructions could have hindered accurate recording.

The city's sun worshippers were treated most harshly in January, April, May, June, August and September, when totals ranged from 24 to 87 hours less than the normal for the individual months.

### McKECHNIE CUP GAME CANCELED

Saturday's scheduled McKechnie Cup rugby game between the Crimson Tide and Vancouver Norwests at MacDonald Park has been canceled owing to ground conditions, it was announced at noon today.

### Light Lure Causes Gladstone Crash

A Yule lighting display on a private home on Gladstone Avenue figured in an accident aired in city police court this morning.

Gordon D. Mason, 1916 Belmont, pleaded guilty to a charge of careless driving laid after an accident December 16. He told the court he had been diverted by the decorated home and had run into the car ahead.

He said the car ahead had stopped in the middle of the road as the driver stared at the display.

Magistrate H. C. Hall adjourned the case until Jan. 7 when the other driver will be called to give evidence.

### ASK THE TIMES

Q.—Each year during the Christmas season the Mendelssohn Choir of Toronto broadcasts Handel's "Messiah," coast to coast, over the CBC. How long has this chorus been singing the great oratorio?—M. D.

A.—The Mendelssohn Choir came into being in 1894, when it was organized by A. S. Vogt, Mus. Doc. He was its conductor for many years and built it up toward the standards for which it is now so widely known. Thus it was presenting the "Messiah" long before broadcasting of music was possible. The membership is 200, all of them chosen for their chorus ability.

Q.—In what literary work is this line: "God never made His work for man to mend"?—T. C. A.

A.—Epistle to John Dryden of Chesherton, Line 92.

Answer without question answered in this column. Questions asked the Times Editor. Questions and answers will be published daily. All questions should deal with matters of fact and be of general interest.



### BETWEEN TIMES

By MONTE ROBERTS

You have '53—do you wish to try for '54?

Our very own weather forecast for 1954: Cloudy with sunny intervals, varied by sunny, with cloudy intervals.

Our very own political forecast: Stormy, followed by scattered by-elections.

Our very own sports forecast: What's wrong with the Cougars, followed by What's wrong with the Tyees?

Our very own merchandising forecast: January clearance sale, followed by pre-inventory sale, followed by February stock-taking sale, followed by annual spring clearance, followed by mid-summer hot-weather values, followed by fall clearance sale, followed by pre-Christmas specials, followed by post-Christmas clearance sale.

Our very own City Council forecast: Mayor Claude Harrison with occasional stormy intervals.

Our very own Parks Board forecast: Fallen oaks, with noticeable precipitation of letters to the editor.

Our very own traffic forecast (pedestrian division): Vagrant pedestrians, accompanied by cursing motorists.

Our very own traffic forecast (motorist division): Vagrant motorists, accompanied by cursing pedestrians.

Our very own waterfront forecast: Mixed orange crates, followed by grapefruit rinds.

Our very own education forecast: Scarcity of schools with resultant happy children, followed by harassed parents.

Our very own tourist forecast: Scattered conventions, followed by comments on a Little Bit of Colde England.

Our very own pet animal forecast: Rain, with unlicensed cats and licensed dogs.

Our very own columnist forecast: Continuing Between Times, followed by storms of protest.

Our very own forecast for loyal constituents: You have been strong enough to last thus far, you're bound to be able to stick it out for another year, I hope.

You have '54—do you wish to try for '55?

### TOPICS OF THE TIMES

Victoria trade union delegates to the Pacific Coast Metal Trades Council convention in Bellingham, Jan. 18-20 will be J. McConachy and R. Lewis, boilermakers; J. McNeil, metal trades; James Moffat, carpenter; Donald Bushell, painter; and R. Toome, sheet metal workers.

Reeve Joseph Casey will administer the oath of office to two new elected councillors at the first Saanich council meeting of the year Monday.

They are S. W. Brock, elected for a two-year term, and George Fleming, who will be serving a one-year by-election term.

Two cribbage enthusiasts at Royal Jubilee Hospital's TB Pavilion report "the perfect hand." Richard Lowe, playing with Jack Marshall Wednesday, was dealt three fives and a jack, and the jack's suit five was cut for a 29 count.

The Victoria Soroptimist Club of Greater Victoria has raised \$15,120 so far in the Christmas seal campaign on behalf of the B.C. Tuberculosis Association. Last year the drive raised \$15,535, and there is still one month to go in the current campaign.

"I guess I was sleepy," was the explanation of George E. West, 1221 Carlisle, who appeared in court today following an accident on December 24.

when his car snapped off a power line pole.

Magistrate H. C. Hall fined him \$35 for careless driving and said West's license would be suspended.

A \$35 fine was imposed on Herbert S. Baird, 551 Ker, in police court today when he pleaded guilty to careless driving recently.

Police said he did \$300 damage to his own car when crashed into the rear of a car stopped for a red light.

The Provincial Museum will be closed to the public Friday, Saturday and Sunday, director G. Clifford Carl announced today.

Failing to get B.C. license plates for his car when he settled here last August cost William H. Powell, 2790 Murray Drive, a fine of \$25 in city police court today.

Slight back injury was received by Miss Mary Jones, 1135 McClure, when she was involved in a two-car collision at Courtney and Blanshard at 7:40 a.m. today.

Chief petty officers will be "at home" in their HMCS Naden mess New Years day from 12 to 1:30 p.m.

At Moresby House, HMCS Malahat (RCNVR) holds a reception from 11:30 to 1 p.m.

### THE LOCAL SCENE

By STAN DAVISON





## SHOPPING GUIDE

January Sales Are Next!  
Be Prepared for the Rush

By PENNY SAVER

It's not January yet . . . but it will be tomorrow! You know what that means, don't you?

Ah, yes! Sales! It's the time when folks dash to town and buy up all those post-holiday bargains . . . or should I say it's the time when folks go to town to see what they could have bought, had they saved some money! At any rate, the sales draw crowds.

Some stores are really on their toes! They've already started their sales. Today they were in full swing.

One store in particular had a dandy sale of hats and purses. The hats, all at \$4.99, included tricky cocktail models of velvet or feathers, accented here and there with rhinestones, veiling or bits of mirrored glass. The more tailored styles included velours and felts. Some were trimmed with feathers, others with corde ribbon bands . . . very smart!

And the bags! Yes ma'am, for \$6.99 there were purses of calf, Morocco or snakeskin . . . beautifully finished in all shapes and sizes!

If you've got "thank you" notes to write to those friends or relatives from out-of-town who sent you gifts this year, you're probably dreading the ordeal. It's much easier to do if you buy thank you cards with a space inside for a short message. Ones I saw cost just 49 cents a box. You get a dozen French-folded cards and envelopes in two designs. One has a gardenia on the outside, the other a bluebird and pink flowers. Both say simply, "Thank you."

It'll be next year before I'm back again . . . so a Happy New Year to all, and I hope everyone has a rip-roaring time tonight!

## WHY GROW OLD?

By JOSEPHINE LOWMAN

Another Chance; Promise  
'Better Health by 1955'

Here's that wonderful night again, New Year's Eve! There is magic in a night which makes us more tolerant and less critical, more forgiving, warmer and kinder toward others.

There is magic in a night which softens old regrets and gives us that wonderful feeling of having a new chance. The old year with its mistakes and troubles is going. The new year is almost here.

Take the new year to your heart! Anything can happen in 1954. It is crowded with happy potentialities. It is waiting to be understood and applied to vibrant daily living. Believe in your heart that it will be the best year ever.

## Pattern of Gifts!



by Alice Brooks

Pattern-ful of potholders, all different, gay, easy to make! Perfect for shower gifts, bazaars as well as your own kitchen—use colorful scraps, bright thread.

Value! Seven—yes, seven potholders in pattern 7358. Directions and embroidery transfer. Send 25 cents in coins for this pattern (stamps cannot be accepted) to The Times, Household Arts Dept., 60 Front St. W., Toronto 1-A, Ont. Print plainly name, address, pattern number. Ten complete patterns to sew, embroider, crochet—printed right in the Alice Brooks Needlecraft Book! Plus many more patterns to send for—including gift ideas, bazaar money-makers, toys, fashions! Send 25 cents now!

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## Canadian 'Women of the Year' Named in Poll

A mayor and a golfer have been selected jointly to represent Canada's "woman-of-the-year."

Mayor Charlotte Whitton, 57, of Ottawa and golfer Marlene Stewart, 19, of Ponthill, Ont., headed the 1953 list of outstanding women chosen in a Canadian Press poll by women's editors of Canadian daily news.

Others high in the voting include Dr. Hilda Neatby, professor of history at the University of Saskatchewan and Lois Marshall, Toronto soprano.

CP asked women's editors to choose the year's outstanding women—on a basis of news interest—in sport, literature and art; stage, screen and radio; music; public affairs; and in addition to choose a woman-of-the-year.

Miss Whitton and Miss Stewart, besides tying for woman-of-the-year, topped their respective divisions of public affairs and sport.

Other class leaders: Literature and art, Dr. Neatby; music, Miss Marshall; stage, screen and radio, Gisele Mackenzie, Winnipeg-born singer.

Mayor Whitton, executive

director of the Canadian Welfare Council for 15 years, has had a distinguished career as a social worker but it wasn't until she was elected to civic office three years ago that she began to win newspaper headlines regularly. She has been given more space in Ottawa newspapers than any other six mayors.

## CEREMONIAL FINERY

She drew notice in the past year by garbing herself in ceremonial finery—a tricorn hat and a red silk robe with fur facings and cuffs, black satin and gold lace trim and a lace neckpiece—as the City of Ottawa's representative at the Coronation. She also appeared before a private bills committee of the Ontario Legislature and delivered a 90-minute scathing attack on land speculators and exploiters.

Miss Stewart's major achievement of the year was winning the British women's amateur golf tournament, only Canadian to do it in the 60-year history of the championship. In a year-end CP sports poll, she was acclaimed Canada's outstanding

woman athlete in 1953. It is the third year in succession that she has topped this poll.

She also won the Canadian women's closed title at London, Ont., but failed in attempts to win the Canadian women's open and the United States amateur golf championship.

Dr. Neatby led the literature and art class on the basis of her indictment of Canadian education in a challenging book,

"So Little For the Mind."

She maintains progressive education has failed to meet the needs of our "brutal, dangerous, but stimulating age." Dr. Neatby, only woman member of the Massey royal commission on arts, letters and sciences, charges progressive education is anti-intellectual, anti-cultural and amoral.

Miss Marshall, who also topped the music section last year, added new laurels in 1953 by singing the solo soprano parts in Beethoven's "Missa Solemnis" conducted by Arturo Toscanini in New York's Carnegie Hall. Critics lauded her performance as a brilliant triumph.

She was also chosen by Leopold Stowkowski for the one vocal selection when he conducted the first major concert of contemporary Canadian music in the United States Oct. 16 at Carnegie Hall.

Miss Mackenzie, who headed the stage, screen and radio class, had one of the best years in a career that started in 1941 when the French-Canadian violinist-turned-singer came to Toronto as a scholarship violin student to the Royal Conservatory of Music.

Radio and records have made hers one of the best-known voices in the entertainment field. Not only has she recorded song hits and sung at some of the top supper clubs on the continent but she has become a U.S. television star as featured singer on "Your Hit Parade."

## TODAY'S RECIPE

## CORN CASSEROLE WITH TURKEY

One package frozen cut corn, 1 cup uncooked elbow macaroni, 1/2 cup chopped onion, 1/2 cup chopped green pepper, 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, 2 tablespoons flour, 1 cup milk, 1/2 cup sharp cheese, grated, 1 to 1 1/2 cups leftover turkey (or chicken), 1/4 cup silvered toasted almonds (optional).

Cook corn according to instructions on package; drain. Cook macaroni and drain. Saute onion and green pepper about 5 minutes in butter or margarine. Stir in flour; then milk, and cook until smooth. Combine all ingredients and mix well. Pour into 1 1/2-quart casserole and heat in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) for 30 minutes. (Four to six servings.)

Get a screw driver now and start tightening those loose door hinges. That's one way of keeping dirt from being blown into your home by the winter blasts.

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Friendly Isles Princess  
Now Has Home in Alberta

CARDSTON, Alta. (CP)—Mrs. Gilbert Lowry is a Polynesian princess who last spring left her home, 1,600 miles from New Zealand, to live here with her husband, a former Mormon missionary.

The talkative, personable 22-year-old woman, whose maiden name was Veia Love, is a popular speaker at town functions and, on occasion, has donned her grass skirt to do the hula, national dance of the Polynesians.

Mrs. Lowry says the southern Alberta climate is quite a change from the 100-degree heat she left. It's summer all the time on Raratonga Island.

"But I never get homesick, except when I think of food," she says.

She met her husband, Gilbert Lowry of Taylorville, Alta., when he was a Mormon missionary at Raratonga. When his mission tenure was over she returned to Alberta with him and they were married in the church temple here. Now he is a bakery delivery man and they live in an apartment. At her South Pacific home, she lived in a modern dwelling with a cement base and a thatched roof of coconut leaves.

OF MAORI RACE  
Mrs. Lowry says the Polynesians consider themselves to be of the same race as the Maoris, although the latter are darker. She was born in New Zealand

and when six months old was taken to Raratonga by her father, a lieutenant-colonel in the New Zealand army.

She says it is only on festive occasions that the Polynesians wear what the rest of the world looks upon as a grass skirt. It is, she says, just like the Canadian Indians getting dolled up in buckskin and feathers.

The skirts are not made of grass but of the bark of the pua tree. The bark is placed in sea water for a week and then is so pliable it can be woven.

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### Heirloom Christening Robe

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Le Huquet wore an heirloom robe belonging in the family of his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Le Huquet of Victoria, when he received the names John Blais, at a ceremony last Sunday in Oak Bay United Church. Dr. W. W. McPherson officiated. Later the same afternoon a tea for the immediate families was held at the Rockland Avenue home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bowkett, the baby's maternal grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Le Huquet, with their three-and-a-half-month-old son, have been visiting their parents in Victoria through the holiday season. (Photo by Irvine Dawson.)



### To Wed in Montreal

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. F. Nicholson, 3895 Scolton Road, Cadboro Bay, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Erica Jean St. George, to Mr. William Mackey Young, Montreal, son of Mr. Stewart Young and the late Mrs. Young of Dunville and Woodstock, Ont. The marriage will take place at St. George's Church, Montreal, Feb. 20, at 3 p.m. Archdeacon Gower-Rees will perform the ceremony. The bride will be attended by Mrs. Theodore Lyman of Montreal. Miss Nicholson, who was born in Kelowna, B.C., comes from a pioneer family, her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Nicholson of Salmon Arm and Mr. and Mrs. James R. Kinghorn of Sorrento, being among the early settlers of the Okanagan Valley and the Shuswap Lake country. Mr. Young is a graduate of the faculty of engineering, Toronto University, class of 1939. The reception will take place in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Walter A. Wilkins, 1469 Drummond Street, Montreal. (Carpenter photo.)

### Buffet Supper Party

Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Janowsky, 1025 Pentrelew Place, will entertain about 35 guests tonight with a buffet supper party to usher in the New Year.

### No-Host Party to Welcome 1954

A private no-host party will be held tonight at the Business and Professional Women's Club, 906 Government Street. The clubroom has been beautifully decorated for the occasion. Mr. Dennis Tupman's orchestra will supply the dance music from 10 p.m. till 3 a.m., and during the intermission a turkey-supper will be served. Among those who will celebrate this occasion will be: Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White, Mr. John White, Miss Doreen Rust, Mr. and Mrs. C. Quayle, Mr. and Mrs. W. Taaffe, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Holmes, Capt. and Mrs. K. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. W. Rattray, Capt. and Mrs. O. Sorensen.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Evenden, Mr. James Burns, Miss Rae Evenden, Mr. and Mrs. G. Carson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith, Mr. Robert Bayne, Miss Barbara Ann Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. D. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. D. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lendrum, Mr. and Mrs. Ian McArthur, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Keiway, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Crissy, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. McKenzie, Lieut. and Mrs. T. Gibbons.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Kirkpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. S. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. B. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mercer, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lawrie, Mr. and Mrs. Cranston Browning, Mr. and Mrs. George Jessup, Mr. and Mrs. George Christopher, Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacKay, Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Bayne, Mr. and Mrs. James McGregor.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wilkie, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gillis, Mr. and Mrs. D. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. William Gelling, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ovis, Mr. Gordon Hall, Miss K. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Price, Mr. Harold Allman, Miss Joan Pederkin.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bueschin, Mr. and Mrs. Nat Daggott, Mr. and Mrs. L. Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hawkes, Mr. and Mrs. A. Jordan.

# of interest to Women

Editor

Elizabeth Forbes

## OF PERSONAL INTEREST

### Yacht Club New Year Party

A dance at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club tonight will welcome the New Year. Among the many guests attending the affair will be Lt. Col. and Mrs. C. W. King, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cameron, and Mr. and Mrs. Noel Collison.

In another group will be Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gladwell, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Mercer, Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Middleton, Mr. and Mrs. Art Burns and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fahey.

Also attending the dance will be a party including Mr. and Mrs. Eric Dowell, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Nickells, Mr. and Mrs. D. McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hope, Mr. and Mrs. M. Martindale, Mr. and Mrs. G. Nickells, Mr. and Mrs. W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. S. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. L. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. J. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. J. Blackie, Mr. and Mrs. F. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. I. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hatcher, Mr. and Mrs. J. Jeffrey, Calgary, Mr. and Mrs. J. Olson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hutchison, Misses Ann Buckle, Shirley Harrison, Rosalie Cheeseman, Mary Nicholson and Mr. Ed Estlin, Mr. Ray Jefferson, Mr. Terry Gower and Mr. Peter Townshend.

### End of Year at Royal Roads

The commandant and staff of Canadian Services College, Royal Roads, will be hosts at a year-end ball tonight in The Castle, when guests will include officers of the three services and their ladies.

### Canadian Scottish Ball

Lieut. Col. Walter Mosedale, commanding officer, and officers of Canadian Scottish (Princess Mary's) Regiment, will be hosts tonight at the traditional New Year Eve ball in the officers' mess at the Armory, which has been decorated for the Yuletide with more than 500 bright signal flags.

At 11 p.m. an eight-meal reel will be danced on the main floor of the Armory by officers and their ladies. This will be followed by the grand march and ceremony to the haggis, led by Pipe-Major Andy Pollock. Toast to the new year will be given at midnight to the accompaniment of noisemakers and release of many colored balloons on the main floor.

Traditional buffet supper will follow. Dancing will continue until 4 a.m. and will conclude with the drinking of bowls of hot Scottish broth as "the one for the road."

Lieut. Col. Mosedale and Mrs. Mosedale will welcome the 300 guests, among whom will be Col. and Mrs. Cyril Wrightman, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. C. A. Watson, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. R. G. L. Parker, who came from Vancouver for the ball, Wing Cmdr. and Mrs. A. Carter and Col. and Mrs. J. S. Adam.

FO and Mrs. D. B. Ascott, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Aubel, Major and Mrs. J. J. Andrews, Lieut. and Mrs. M. W. E. Allen, Flt. Lieut. and Mrs. A. Button, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bellm, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Brake, Mr. and Mrs. D. Barker, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bate, Capt. and Mrs. L. Beddington and Capt. and Mrs. V. Bigwood.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Coxworth, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Collier, Mr. and Mrs. A. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. F. Carver, Lieut. and Mrs. G. P. Clarke, Capt. and Mrs. B. Clarke, Major and Mrs. K. Crabtree, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Davidson, Dr. and Mrs. J. Dalton, Major and Mrs. S. A. Digby, Lieut. H. A. Davis and lady.

FO and Mrs. W. E. Easton, Miss Nan Ferguson and escort, Mr. A. Goward and lady, Lieut. Cmdr. and Mrs. Golby, Capt. and Mrs. J. Grimmond, O. C. Gould and lady, Major and Mrs. A. Gunning, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hooper, Mr. A. O. Hughes and lady, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hagar, F/Lt. and Mrs. R. D. Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. W. Halkett, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, Major E. Henderson and lady, F/Lt. and Mrs. I. Hogarth, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. P. Jenkins, Lieut. and Mrs. D. R. T. John, Major and Mrs. L. Johnston, Lieut. and Mrs. F. W. Jones, Lieut. and Mrs. K. G. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Kendall, Mr. G. Kelly and lady, Mr. and Mrs. J. Long, Mr. and Mrs. R. Little, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Lewis, Lieut. and Mrs. R. E. Leary, Capt. and Mrs. H. Mothershead, Mr. N. Messerschmidt and lady, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. MacGregor, Lieut. and Mrs. C. H. McBratney, Mr. and Mrs. D. Munro, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McTavish, Mr. and Mrs. K. F. McLellan, F/Lt. and Mrs. G. F. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. E. Menzies, S/Lt. and Mrs. W. M. Martin, Major and Mrs. W. G. McIntosh, Group Capt. and Mrs. E. A. McGowan, Major and Mrs. A. M. McLeod, H/Capt. and Mrs. J. L. W. McLean, O/C-R. MacDonald and lady.

Lieut. and Mrs. Newbigging, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. J. Nicol, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ousman, Mr. and Mrs. B. Price, Capt. and Mrs. L. R. J. Palmer, Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Patterson, Mr. M. A. Pickering and lady, Major and Mrs. S. E. Park, Capt. J. Pettit and lady, Lieut. R. Petkovich and lady, FO and Mrs. C. Resson, Lieut. and Mrs. L. G. Rees, Mr. and Mrs. G. Rice, Lieut. and Mrs. F. E. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Rush, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ridout, Lieut. and Mrs. A. H. Rabey.

FO and Mrs. J. Southern, Mr. and Mrs. G. Silburn, Mr. and Mrs. S. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. W. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. D. Sloan, Major E. A. Sutherland, Capt. and Mrs. D. G. Smith, Capt. and Mrs. A. Strugnell, Capt. and Mrs. Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. G. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. R. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Thomas, Lieut. and Mrs. X. Thompson, Dr. A. Thomson and lady, Mr. and Mrs. R. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. T. Whiting, Mr. H. A. Wickes and lady, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Weydert, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Watson.

FO and Mrs. H. G. E. Warburton, Capt. and Mrs. H. White and Mrs. R. Young.

### Wedding in Toronto

A wedding took place in Toronto yesterday, uniting Miss Shirley Ash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ash, 66 Dunford Road, Langford, with Mr. P. D. Murray-Allan of Toronto. The couple will live in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Fraser Stam, niece, Miss Doreen Rutledge, returned to their Beach home on Wednesday, Dec. 29 in Drive home on Wednesday. The afternoon from Vancouver, where they had been to attend the wedding of Mrs. Stamford's.

## New Year's Greetings 1954

A bright new year is dawning  
... time for renewed hope  
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## OF PERSONAL INTEREST

### Former Victorians to Celebrate

Welcoming 1954 at the Crystal Garden tonight will be a party including a group of former Victorians who have come home for the holiday. They are Cons. Bruce Baird, RCMP, Yorkton, Sask.; FO H. S. Moore, RCAF, Vancouver; Miss Diane Wilson, Lake Cowichan; Miss Madeleine Watts, Sidney, and Mr. Ron Mace of Royal Military College, Kingston, Ont. Victorians in the party are Miss Sonya Mortimer, Miss Joan Baird, Mr. Allan Mercer and Mr. Brian Hickman.

### To Live in San Francisco

Miss Joan Challoner, R.N. Rockland Avenue, flew to California Wednesday evening. She will welcome the New Year with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gilliland, in San Jose, then travel to San Francisco, where she will join the staff of Franklin Hospital.

### Victoria Actress Returns

Miss Moya Mulholland has arrived in Victoria by plane from England and is spending a holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Mulholland, 77 Beach Drive. Miss Mulholland has been in London for the past three and a half years, where she has been studying and working in the theatre. Previous to leaving Victoria she was well-known in amateur drama circles in this city.

### Oak Bay Beach Hotel

A special New Year Day dinner will be served at Oak Bay Beach Hotel. Among those who have made reservations is a group including Mr. and Mrs. Charles Booth, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dupprau and Mr. J. D. Caswell.

Also dining at the hotel will be Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Songhurst, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cave and Miss Denise Cave. Mr. and Mrs. A. Yates and friends will attend the dinner. Tonight's festivities at the hotel commence with a New Year Eve dinner and later there will be a musical program. Among those who plan to attend are Col. Styles with a party of 16, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hill and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cooper.

### At Olde England Inn

Among the guests who have reservations for tonight's dance and dinner at the Olde England Inn are Mr. and Mrs. F. Dixon and party, Mr. and Mrs. K. Windrum, Dawson Creek; Mr. and Mrs. H. Banks and party, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Holt, Mr. and Mrs. A. Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. John Owen, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Grant White and Mr. H. Kelsey, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Owen, Mrs. H. Martin and party, Mr. and Miss Doris Bagshawe, Mr. and Mrs. C. O'Toole, Mr. and Mrs. D. Erickson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Penners and party, Mr. and Mrs. J. Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Catt, Mr. and Mrs. T. Clarke and party, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Phillips, Mr. Harry Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hatcher and party, Mr. and Mrs. A. McKenzie and party, CPO and Mrs. A. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Rod McRae, Miss McRae and Mr. Douglas Parker, and Mr. and Mrs. McKinlock.

### Tea at Golf Club

Club house of the Uplands Golf Club was decorated in a holiday theme on Tuesday afternoon, when the ladies' committee held a tea. Mrs. G. Hope, ladies' captain, assisted by Mrs. W. Smith, Mrs. K. Dawson and Mrs. T. V. Gibson, received guests. The tea table was covered with a lace cloth and centred with a Yuletide motif, flanked by yellow candles. Pouring tea were Mrs. J. Riddell, Mrs. A. Anderson, Mrs. S. Horsford and Mrs. J. Kenston. Servers were Mrs. T. W. Walker, convener; Mrs. C. Tolson, Mrs. W. Craven, Mrs. N. Tomlin, Mrs. W. Herbert, Mrs. T. J. Johnston and Mrs. G. Chisholm.

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## PLATINUM SUPPLY TOO SMALL FOR OVERWEIGHT AGA KHAN

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP)—The top planner of the ceremony at which the Aga Khan is scheduled to get his weight in platinum disclosed today that there is some question whether enough of the precious metal can be obtained to match the religious leader's 215 pounds.

At the rate quoted for platinum in the United States—\$92 an ounce—enough to balance the Aga Khan would cost \$315,880.

The Aga Khan told reporters Dec. 2 that the ceremony would be "symbolic" because he doubted his followers would be able to gather enough platinum.

## Survivor of B.C. Sealing Dies at 83

VANCOUVER, (CP)—Capt. Darius Barry, one of the few survivors of the British Columbia sealing trade of 60 years ago, died here this week. He was 83.

During his colorful career, he was wrecked on dangerous rocks off the west coast of Vancouver Island and was once captured by a Russian warship. Funeral services will be held here Thursday.

## IN TOWN TONIGHT

ATLAS—"The Caddy" at 12:59, 3:46, 6:33, 9:25 plus "Captive Women" at 2:41, 5:38, 8:15.

CAPITOL—"Here Come the Girls" at 1:35, 3:35, 5:35, 7:40, 9:40.

DOMINION—"Innocents in Paris" at 1:10, 3:12, 5:14, 7:16, 9:23.

FOX—"The Naked Spur" at 7:20, 9:30.

GEM—"The Desert Song" at 7:45 p.m.

OAK BAY—"Made in Heaven" at 7:24, 9:29.

ODEON—"Walking My Baby Back Home," 1:45, 4:30, 6:55, 9:30.

PLAZA—"Raiders of the Seven Seas," plus "Rebel City."

ROYAL—"All the Brothers Were Valiant" at 1:05, 3:10, 5:15, 7:20, 9:30.

ON THE STAGE TOTEM—"Charley's Aunt" at 8:30 p.m.

MEMORIAL ARENA SCHEDULE  
THURSDAY, DEC. 31  
Minor Hockey 8:00-10:00  
V.F.S.C. 11:00-1:00  
Public Skating 2:00-4:00  
E. J. Association 10:00-11:00

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1  
Cougar Game 3:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2  
Minor Hockey 8:00-10:00  
V.F.S.C. 11:00-1:00  
Public Skating 2:00-4:00  
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## ENDS TODAY!

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## TWO FOR THE SHOW

## 3-D, Coronation Documentary, Some Fine Films Shine in 1953

By Phil Lee

T'WAS QUITE A YEAR—taking it all in all 1953 was an historic year for moviedom. During the past 12 months there arose a spectacle in three dimensions that still has Hollywood and the industry as a whole rocking on its heels. Most of the 3-D films were "quickies," hurriedly thrown together, strung on mediocre acting and flimsy plots. Hollywood in its headlong "comeback" thrust almost killed itself. But the writer of woe has come 20th Century-Fox's CinemaScope. When you see the

new medium, at the Royal in "The Robe" it will become evident that with some modifications and ramifications this is the beginning of a new deal for the movie-goer. Soon our present flat-style picture will be as out-moded as yesterday.

Going by memory only 1953 produced some fine films.

From a documentary standpoint there was one picture that led in its class all the way. There wasn't another to touch it. That, of course, was the magnificent J. Arthur Rank documentary "A Queen Is Crowned."

In the fictional class I liked the following pictures most, although not necessarily in this order:

"Roman Holiday"—There is little doubt that new-fund Audrey Hepburn will be nominated for an academy award for this effort. It might also be that Eddie Albert who played the press photographer might well be mentioned for the supporting Oscar.

"Shane"—Who can forget this beautifully acted western starring Alan Ladd and Jean Arthur? Of the westerns I have seen this should be considered 1953's "High Noon."

Others I enjoyed included Frederick March's fine performance in "Man on a Tight Rope." Here, too, may be Academy Award nomination, both for March and Miss Terry Moore in a supporting role.

The starkest play of the year I would unhesitatingly name as

"From Here to Eternity." This was the film, performed in black and white, that proved that there is nothing that can make up for a fine story. In this one Frank Sinatra fights for Oscar recognition.

Most charming film of the year must go to "Lilli" with Leslie Caron. This had little in way of plot but was almost mystic in its enchantment.

Cleverest comedy of the year points to Alec Guinness in "Captain's Paradise" while the warmest humor play I thought was "My Pal Gus" with Richard Widmark.

Best musical would be the Ethel Merman starrer, "Call Me Madam" and "The Band Wagon." The song I liked best from a film this year was "Copenhagen" from Danny Kaye's "Hans Christian Andersen."

For a supporting role I would also nominate the work of veteran Charles Coburn in "Trouble Along the Way." And who can forget the work of Maggie MacNamara, William Holden and David Niven in the delightful "Moon Is Blue?"

And speaking of Holden, there also is academy award calibre. Not only did he do a memorable job in "The Moon Is Blue" but he also excelled in the unforgettable "The Robe" and now, according to reports he had outdone himself in a 3-D western called "Hondo."

Best canine star—Bob Williams' pooch Red Dust in "The Stars Are Singing."

And one final thought, when it comes to name the best picture of the year don't forget "The Robe," a pioneer in CinemaScope, the film form of the future. Richard Burton may well be named among the top performers of the year for his role in this one.

Hats off also to Walt Disney for his beautiful "Peter Pan," the year's best full-length cartoon, and the newsreel-like realism of "The Cruel Sea."

Meanwhile, a very happy and prosperous new year to all of you.

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SCOTT  
DICK TRACY  
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DOTTY  
OZARK LIKE  
KERRY DRAKE  
BUGS BUNNY  
ALLEY OOP  
ORPHAN ANIE

**ACTUATED BY REMOTE CONTROL, VIBRATIONS ARE SET UP...**

SHUTOUT STORY  
STORY BY ROBERTSON

---THERE IS NO AUDIBLE SOUND---BUT TWENTY FEET AWAY---

**WHILE FIFTY FEET AWAY...**

YOU'VE BEEN DOWN LONG ENOUGH FOR NOW, JIM. JUST A MINUTE.

OKAY! HALL ME UP!

THE WAY HE SAID THAT! HIS TONE OF VOICE!

I'M GETTING TOO FAT---I'LL GO ON A DIET DURING THE NEW YEAR.

I'LL KEEP MY MIND OFF FOOD BY CONCENTRATING ON 1954.

ERNE BUSHMILLER  
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SEE, POP-SAMPSON HAS TROD EVERYTHING FROM AXLE GREASE TO GLUE ON HIS HAIR AND NOTHING WILL MAKE IT STAY IN PLACE!

THEN MAYBE HE SHOULD JUST RESIGN HIMSELF TO IT AND BE PHILOSOPHICAL ABOUT HIS PROBLEM.

AFTER ALL...EVERYTHING IN THIS WHOLE WORLD IS MADE THE WAY IT IS FOR SOME USEFUL PURPOSE!

SO YOU'RE NOT PUTTING UP YOUR 1954 GIRLIE CALENDARS AFTER ALL?

NOPE--TIMES HAVE CHANGED--AND I KNOW WHEN I'M LICKED!

OSARK LET THAT RAZ DAZZLE HEAVE IN A CLEAR FIELD!

HE CAUGHT RAZ DAZZLE'S HEAVE IN A CLEAR FIELD!

(MOAN) MAN, LAST CHANCE TO SAVE TH' GAME!

NOT A FOOT--BUT IF HE'S OWN, THEY GOT TH' TITLE!

WE'LL RENT ALL FOUR OF YOUR BACK CABINS FOR THE NIGHT! SO WE CAN HAVE THEM KEPT AWAKE!

THAT'LL BE \$4.00!

OKAY, MINKY! AS SOON AS IT'S DARK, PLUG IN AN EXTENSION CORD AND RUN IT OUT TO THE TRUNK!

CANDY WRAPPERS...YEP, KERRY CIGAR ASHES, YEP, KERRY OUR BURLAP BAGS AS WELL HAVE LEFT HIS CARD!

MAYBE HE DID!...A CARD CIGAR ASHES, YEP, KERRY WITH MEAT LITTLE MOLES CRUNCHED IN IT, PLUG!

STAND BACK, CICERO! SOME OILY RAGES CAUGHT FIRE IN TH' GARAGE!

DO YOU HAVE TH' FIRE UNDER CONTROL YET?

I DON'T KNOW, KID! TH' FIRE DEPARTMENT'S ON ITS WAY, BUT TH' WHOLE GARAGE COULD GO UP IN FLAMES ANY MINUTE!

WOW!

YEZZUM, JUDON! BY WHAT I SAW, I'D SAY WILLIAM OF NORMANDY'S GOT A PRETTY SLUGGED OUTPY!

...BUT SHUCKS, IF HAROLD'S HAD ANY LUCK, RAINBOW TROOPS UP LONDON WAY, WE'LL RUN 'EM BACK INTO TH' CHANNEL FORE LONG!

TENSHUN ALL POSTS!

LARGE UNIDENTIFIED FORCE APPROACHING FROM THE EAST!

OH, OH! MUST BE AN ENEMY PATROL!

YEH, PROBABLY NUTHIN TO GET EXCITED ABOUT!

PATROL, EHP LOOKS MORE LIKE A WHOLE ARMY TO ME!

WE'RE HOLDING A DIRECTORS' MEETING, ANNE--YOU'RE A MEMBER OF THE FIRM, YOU KNOW--

ME? GEE!

SINCE PETE WAS KILLED ON SEPTEMBER 27, AND WE BECAME OWNERS OF THIS DINER--THREE MONTHS--WE'VE DONE VERY WELL--SUGGEST WE SET ASIDE THIS AMOUNT FOR NEW EQUIPMENT, PAINTING, REPAIRS, ETC--

NOW, HERE WE DIVIDE THE REST INTO THREE EQUAL SHARES--FIVE HUNDRED EACH--HERE'S YOURS, ANNE--

FIVE HUNDRED! WOW!

HAROLD GRAY!

**OUT OUR WAY**

NO, I AIN'T NO CHINAMAN, AN' I AIN'T NO COOK! GIT OUT O' MY POCKETS! POLICE!

THEY GIVE LING THEIR COOK, HALF OF PAY TO SAVE FOR THEM, AND BY MIDNIGHT THEY TEARING CHINATOWN APART LOOKING FOR HIM! RUN, FOOL, RUN! THEY NOT CAN TELL ONE CHINAMAN FROM ANOTHER!

THE RUN ON THE BANK

**BOARDING HOUSE**

READ! AREN'T YOU WAGS COMICAL? "A SHUTTER TO BE CARRIED HOME ON?" --BAH! IT SO HAPPENS FRITZ JOF NUSSPICKEL, ONE OF MY OLD POLAR COMRADES, IS HERE TO EXP. ANN HIS BOOK "SWEAT-ING IT OUT ON AN ICE FLOE!"

POLAR COMRADE? YOU MEAN YOU BOTH LEAN ON THE SAME LAMP POST?

LAST YEAR YOU WERE GOING TO AN INTELLECTUAL SYMPOSIUM THAT WOULD UP WITH A CUT LIP AND A BLACK EYE!

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU, TOO!

**HERMAN**

HONK HONK

HONK HONK

**GARAGE**

THE HORN IS STUCK

**MARK TRAIL**

IN THE GREAT GLOO AKTOKS FOLLOWERS BEAT THEIR DRUMS IN WILD ABANDON, AND HIS MARRIAGE TO FRANK MARSHALL, IS ABOUT TO TAKE PLACE

**JOE PALOOKA**

HEY, LOOK, A HELICOPTER...THEY'RE DROPPIN' HERE!

**JOE PALOOKA**

LET'S SEE WHAT'S HAPPENED AT DOGGERS CAMP.

BARNES NEEDS ATTENTION. HE'S GOT A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN.

WE CAN'T GET 'IM OUT, THE SNOW'S TOO HEAVY!

**JOE PALOOKA**

HEY, LOOK, A HELICOPTER...THEY'RE DROPPIN' HERE!

**KING AROO**

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN LOOKING FOR AN HONEST MAN, MR. DOGGENS?

FOREVER, GEEENS LIKE I FOUND ONE ONCE--FELLOW NAMED JOE--GOOD OLD JOE! THIS LANTERN USED TO BE HIS--

**KING AROO**

HE GAVE IT TO YOU?

IN A MANNER OF SPEAKING--ANYBODY WITH HALF A BRAIN WOULD'VE KNOWN THE DICE WERE LOADED--BUT JOE WAS A LITTLE ON THE STUPID SIDE--

**PENNY**

AU REVOIR, CECIL.

G'BYE, NOW, PENNY.

HOW DID YOU LIKE HIM, MOTHER? HE'S A BANKER'S SON...HE'S LOADED!

HE'S NICE...

**PENNY**

BUT HE CERTAINLY HAS MORE MONEY THAN BRAINS.

YES, MOTHER...

ISN'T THAT THE DELIGHTFUL TRUTH?

**BUZZ SAWYER**

I SAID TO REPORT ON HIM ONLY IF THERE'S SOMETHING IRREGULAR.

THIS IS RUGLES, COMMANDER JONES, REPORTING ON SAWYER.

THERE IS, SIR, AT 1805 HE THIED OFF-ALONE IN A SKYKNIGHT, WHEN HE STOPPED AT THE RUNNY, A FIGURE DASHED OUT OF THE DARK AND CLIMBED ABOARD.

WHAT! BUT WHO WAS HE?

DON'T KNOW, SIR, TOO DARK! BEFORE I COULD GET THERE, THEY TOOK OFF.

TRACK HIS FLIGHT BY RADAR, KEEP ME POSTED, I'LL BE THERE IN PERSON WHEN HE LANDS.

**BUZZ SAWYER**

MEANWHILE, BUZZ AND HAGARTY SUSPECT NOTHING.

NOW FOR SOME "FLYING SAUCERS."

OH, BUZZ, YOU FLY IT, I'LL WATCH THE RADAR.

**ACROSS**

- Denmark exports more than any other country
- The Beggars separates it from
- Everlasting (poet)
- Indiana
- Petered
- Take brand!
- Kind of tide
- Payable on receipt (ab.)
- Planters
- River
- Reputed
- Shackles
- Taut
- Send in payment
- Canvas shelters
- Closed
- Part of poems
- Expungers
- River in Switzerland
- Legal point
- Before
- Burgical saw
- Bank clerk
- Bridge
- holding
- Accented
- Wool
- Part of road

**DOWN**

- Greek letter
- Shoshonnan
- Indiana
- Afternoon social events
- Transposers
- Compass point
- Ransom
- Crabbed (coll.)
- Stagger
- Go by aircraft
- Belgian river
- Board (ab.)
- Infirm
- Pacific island
- Flax soaker
- Scold
- Titles of
- Large plant
- Italian's home
- Hostilities
- Italian city
- Stone layer
- Scot!
- Meadow
- Chaste
- Direction (ab.)
- Pewee's coin
- of Thailand
- Kilney
- Otherwise
- Slagger
- See eagles
- Companion
- Wid card
- Age
- Part of the month

**Boy Plus Auto Cause About \$1,300 Damage**

VANCOUVER (CP)—Mix kover youth Tuesday night when he drove a late model car through a rockery, hit two other cars and damaged a garage. He has been charged with taking an auto without the owner's consent.

That was the estimated damage caused by a 14-year-old Van-

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On the EVE of 1954 it is our great pleasure to thank you for your patronage during the past year.

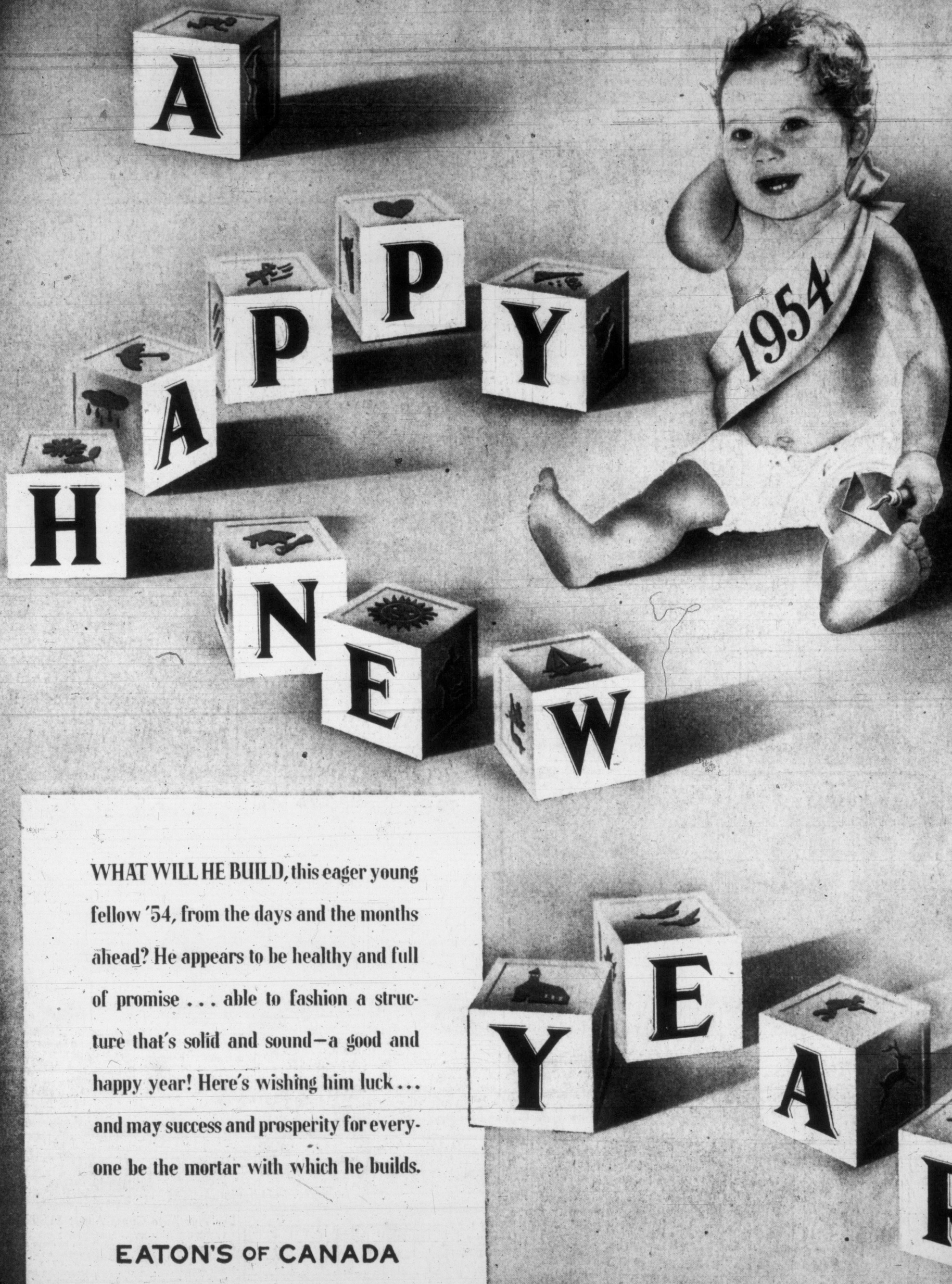
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WHAT WILL HE BUILD, this eager young fellow '54, from the days and the months ahead? He appears to be healthy and full of promise . . . able to fashion a structure that's solid and sound—a good and happy year! Here's wishing him luck . . . and may success and prosperity for everyone be the mortar with which he builds.

EATON'S OF CANADA

● To Enable All EATON Employees to Enjoy a Long Holiday Week End the Store Will Be Closed FRIDAY, New Year's Day and SATURDAY, January 2 ●



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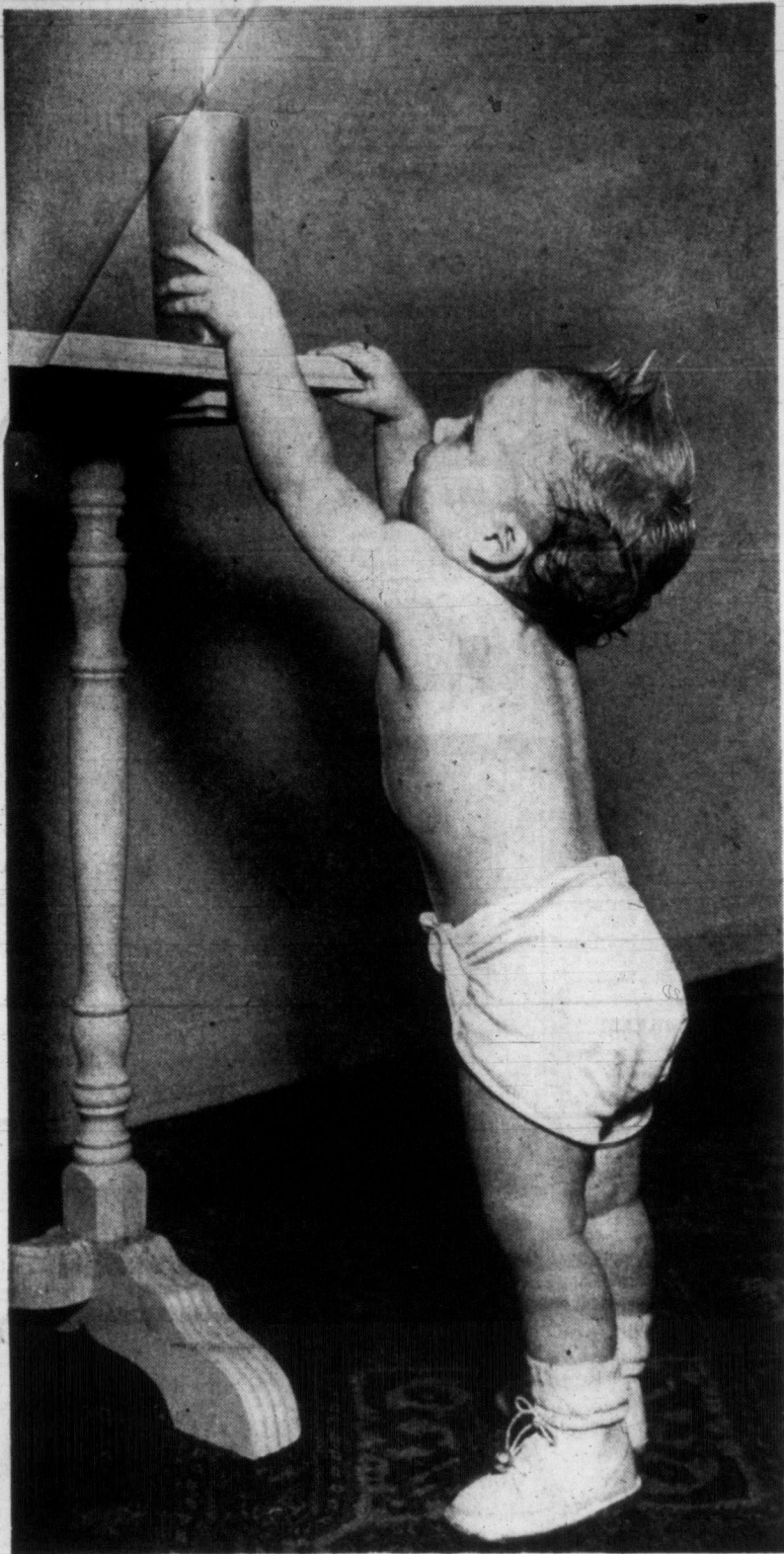
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and shining New Year for all. Constance is daughter of PO and Mrs. Ian Drake, Aloha Avenue, Esquimalt Lagoon. Father plays in Naden band. (Times photo by Irving Strickland.)

### 3 Contestants to Share \$275 Crossword Award

After eight weeks of "frustration" Times crossworders really went to work on puzzle No. 40 and three people came up with correct answers.

They are:  
Miss E. Thomas, 1760 Denman Street.  
Roy B. H. Ralfe, 805 Heywood Avenue.  
Miss R. Carson, Ladysmith, V.I.

Since they are all regular subscribers to The Times they share equally in the prize money of \$275 offered for the puzzle. Each gets \$91.70 as a new year award.

Miss Thomas has been a hard worker at the puzzles since they first appeared in The Times while Mr. Ralfe has been seeking the correct word combination for only two months.

Both were surprised when informed they had submitted the correct answers. Mr. Ralfe saying it was "luck" and Miss Thomas replying "my gosh."

Correct solution to the puzzle is on Page 23.

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### Thimayya Takes Over PW Screening

Allies, Reds Not Notified

PANMUNJOM, Korea (UP)—The Indian custodian command suddenly reopened the prisoner repatriation program today without notifying the United Nations command and announced that 135 anti-Communist Chinese had decided to go home.

Without advance notice, the Indians started "screening" 4,385 anti-Communist Chinese, most of whom already had rejected repatriation during the period of interviews which ended December 23.

An Indian spokesman said further screenings will be held starting Saturday or Sunday.

It was expected that the Indians also would screen Communist-captured prisoners who had refused repatriation, including 22 Americans and one Briton. Lt. Gen. K. S. Thimayya, Indian chairman of the neutral nations repatriation commission, had announced he planned to ask each of the Americans individually if he wanted to go home.

The Communist command, as well as the UN command, was left in ignorance of today's screening, it was announced.

## Hope Is Watchword As '54 Approaches

### World Will Relax; Leaders Cheerful

(Compiled From AP Dispatches)

There is something new in the world tonight. Optimism.

Since the end of the Second World War eight years ago, what with the cold war and the shooting ones, there hasn't been much room for optimism.

In some areas the hot wars continue. There is still conflict aplenty between the worlds of Democracy and Communism.

In spite of all this, however, there is real optimism that 1954 has laid a firm foundation for better things for mankind that 1953 may be even another step towards world peace and contentment.

Keynoting the optimism, Sir Winston Churchill, from London, says the free world's growing strength and peace aims have reduced the possibility of a third world war. "During the past 12 months," he told the Primrose League, a Conservative Party organization, in a New Year's message, "Her Majesty's government has dedicated itself to its proclaimed tasks of winning peace abroad and rebuilding the foundations of our national life at home."

"The growing strength of the free world, coupled with its desire to reach just and honorable agreements, has reduced the possibility of international conflict."

"During 1954, we intend to build further upon the good foundations laid. We shall continue to strive for peace by every means in our power."

The same theme was stressed by Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent, whose New Year's message from Ottawa contained a prayer for peace and the thought that the international scene "is not devoid of signs of hope for the fulfillment of that future of peace and prosperity for all mankind that is our continual prayer."

### Champagne Will Flow in Moscow

Meanwhile, around the world, the gayest and biggest New Year's Eve celebrations since the end of the Second World War were in prospect—sparked by the hope that peace will have a better chance in 1954.

In Moscow, the sales of champagne tripled in comparison to last year's holiday period. In North America, theatres and night clubs expected the greatest crowds of the postwar years.

### ABOUT OUR PRINCESS SHIPS

### Only Winter Day Boat Might Go—Wheaton

If Victoria Chamber of Commerce proposal for a new Saanich Peninsula-Vancouver fast ferry service is adopted it might mean the Vancouver-Victoria day boat would cease during the winter months, but not the night boat, nor the triangle service in the summer time.

Chamber president George H. Wheaton emphasized this today, declaring the proposed new service would supplement, not supersede, present services.

He said a nostalgic feature article in The Times Wednesday about the Princess ships' "picture book" entry into Victoria's harbor might have given a misleading impression in this regard.

Chamber of Commerce would certainly oppose any suggestion to discontinue the night-boat service or the triangle run during the tourist season. Mr. Wheaton said. And he saw "little likelihood of this happening as long as public support results in satisfactory volume of traffic."

The new service recommended to CPR vice-president William Manson simply "would re-establish, but with greater adequacy and versatility, a service once provided by the Sidney-Stevenson ferry."

Continued Mr. Wheaton:

"There has been no suggestion that Vancouver boat service from the Inner Harbor be discontinued, except for the daytime service during the winter months. At present the day boats are running during the winter season with fewer passengers than crew members and much of our auto and freight traffic is moving via Nanaimo. The proposed new service would alleviate this situation during the winter, and would be a welcome addition to the triangle service in the tourist season. It is believed also, that much of the daytime traffic from such a service would use the night boat either coming or going."

## IWA at Prince George Reject Lord Proposals

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C. (CP)—Members of the striking International Woodworkers of America CIO-CCL at Prince George have voted to reject the settlement proposals of Judge Arthur E. Lord, union officials announced today.

The vote was 657 against and 36 for acceptance. Balloting started Monday at Prince George and other northern interior points.

Judge Lord of Vancouver, was appointed by the provincial labor department to inquire into the 15-week strike in the northern interior. Some 1,600 IWA members are on strike and another 3,500 workers have been made idle by the dispute.

The county court judge recommended an immediate

5½-cent hourly wage increase but rejected the union's demand for a union shop and compulsory checkoff of dues.

The IWA policy committee recommended rejection of the settlement proposal.

The union originally demanded an 18-cent hourly pay hike.

Judge Lord will also carry out a similar investigation into the southern interior woodworkers' strike early in January. The exact date of the probe will not be set until results of voting in the northern area are completed.

### Veterans' Doctor Was Victim Of Fire on Train

PEMBROKE, Ont. (UP)—Dr. H. A. Collins, 61, administrative medical officer at the veterans' pavilion at Ottawa, died of suffocation in the CNR train fire near here Wednesday.

Charles Faucault, 31, who was found screaming beside a burning mattress in his compartment, insisted today that he had fallen asleep while smoking but police said the possibility of arson remained under investigation.

The fire killed one passenger and panicked 18 others in the pullman.

### Vancouver Officer Picks Up Escapée

VANCOUVER (UP)—Anders Berg, 35, who slipped away from a work gang at the British Columbia penitentiary last Tuesday afternoon, was recaptured on a downtown city street early today, police reported.

A department spokesman said Berg did not put up a struggle when captured in the 200 block Georgia Street shortly after 9 a.m. He was spotted by an unidentified beat constable.

## Owners Report Loss On West Coast Vessel

CPR Denies Delayed Cargo Rotted; Dock-Bound Freight Mostly Liquor

A Canadian Pacific Steamships spokesman today denied reports that Princess of Alberni is "inadequate" for the West Coast Vancouver Island run, and pointed out she has lost \$45,000 in the first five months of her operation.

He also denied that large quantities of perishable food "rotted on the dock" when the ship failed to complete her pre-Christmas voyage to West Coast ports.

"She put off 60 tons of freight at Tahsis after damaging her propeller when she struck a submerged log," he said. "Only 14 tons were taken back to Victoria, and this will go out in a chartered vessel Friday."

Of the 14 tons returned, eight tons was liquor, three tons hardware, two tons staple food, and one ton perishable food.

"We did not wish to leave goods of this value sitting on the dock at Tahsis," he said. "Some of the perishable food was damaged by water. This has been replaced by fresh stock and will be shipped Friday."

### FREIGHT LACKING

Reason for Princess of Alberni's operating loss is lack of cargo offerings, he said.

"On northbound sailings from Victoria, the ship has been consistently only two-thirds filled with freight, and there is practically no freight southbound. "For 30 years Princess Maquinn operated on a three-times-monthly service up the West Coast, similar to Princess of Alberni's present schedule, and similarly had to miss calls at some of the ports because of heavy seas and bad weather."

"Fishing and mining industries have dwindled greatly in that area, and at present one large logging company provides

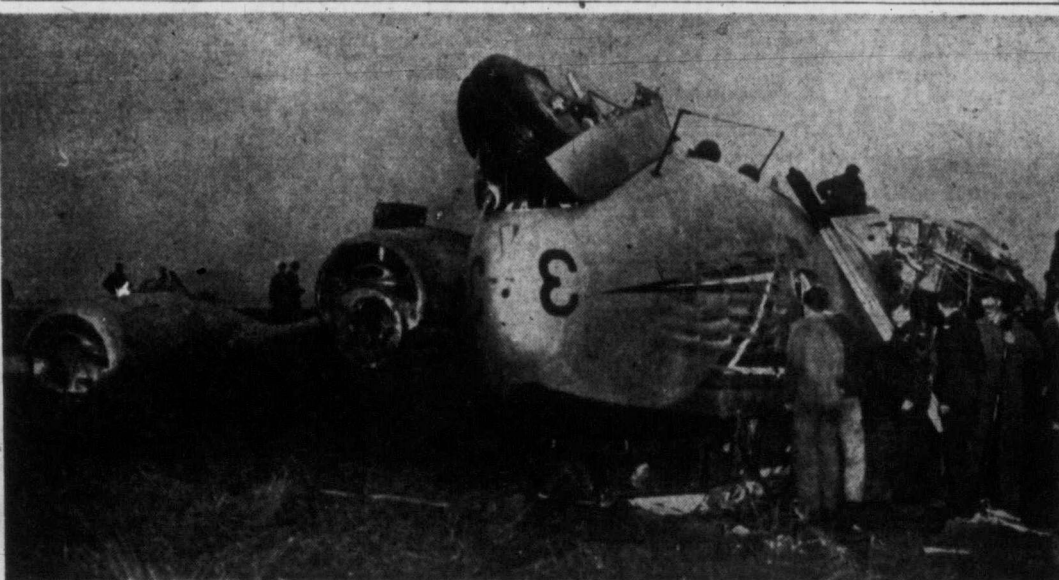
Only 900 miles from the north pole, at Thule, Greenland, the men at the most isolated United States base will be entertained by Arthur Godfrey and 11 of his entourage.

Despite estimates that it would cost most of a \$100 bill at New York's swankier night spots to see the old year out, most managers expected to hang out the standing-room-only sign early. The city's night clubs, taverns and hotels took out 3,402 special "all night" permits to let guests tipple past the regulation 4 a.m. deadline. It was the greatest number ever issued.

Police prepared for the traditional midnight turnout in Times Square. Last year the crowd was estimated at 200,000 people, perhaps due to its television coverage.

European restaurants and night clubs reported sell-out business—at sky-high prices. In London's Piccadilly Circus, the statue of Eros, traditional climbing point for celebrating Britons, was boarded over. Scores of police were stationed there and in nearby Trafalgar Square, where a huge Christmas tree given to London by Oslo was to be illuminated until after midnight.

In Scotland the usual hogmanay hilarity will ring out the old and ring in the new. Scotch whisky and the complicated custom of "first-footing" are the main features.



RCAF Opens Inquiry Into Crash of Airliner at Vancouver

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100-yard path. One wing was torn off completely and the fuselage was flipped on its back as shown in the above picture. Only the pilot, Flt. Lieut. John Evans of New Westminster, was hurt. He was badly cut on the head and placed in the RCAF hospital at Sea Island. Among the passengers were FO Frank Player and his bride of Victoria. (See Page 2 for picture.)



It sez somethin' fer Canada thet we still wish each other a new year thet will be happy. In some parts o' th' earth jest livin' on into it is figgered an achievement.

Since there's nothin' t' fear it fear, let's jest make a resolution t' be resolute.

One thing we kin be sure ov, it won't be quite th' way we were sure it'd be.



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## FINAL BULLETINS

### No Editions of Times Tomorrow

New Year's Day being a holiday, there will be no regular editions of the Times. Next issues will be on Saturday.

### CNR Drops Plans to Extend Hotel

VANCOUVER (CP)—The Canadian National Railway has dropped any immediate plans to buy city-owned property to extend the Hotel Vancouver, Mayor Fred Hume announced today.

The mayor said he had been advised by letter from CNR president Donald Gordon of the company's decision.

### B.C. Prison Escapee Sentenced

EDMONTON (CP)—Kenneth G. Ranch, alias Bert Nash, an escapee from British Columbia's Oakalla prison, was sentenced to two years in penitentiary today after he pleaded guilty to car theft.

Ranch was arrested Wednesday in a stolen car. Police said he escaped from Oakalla last January after serving 26 days of a one-year term for robbery with violence.

### B.C. Lions Get Players Back

EDMONTON (CP)—Release of reserve quarterback Ray Wilsey and rookie guard Ray McLeod to British Columbia Lions has been announced by Edmonton Eskimos of the Western Interprovincial Football Union.

Both Lions' property, they were loaned to Edmonton for the 1953 season. Lions enter the league for the first time next year.

### Russia to Play in World Hockey

STOCKHOLM (AP)—Soviet Russia's Ice Hockey Federation today confirmed that it will send a team to the 1954 ice hockey world championships in Stockholm.

It will be the first Russian participation in an ice hockey world championship tournament.

## OVERNIGHT ENTRIES

### SANTA ANITA

**FIRST RACE**—7 Furlongs:  
Grey Smokey 119  
High Notion 118  
Quit Row 116  
Fulda 109  
Cinco Pecos 110  
Brix Admiral 117  
High Regard 119  
Kacy Bub 115  
**SECOND RACE**—1 Mile:  
Piet Diver 103  
Oneshot 120  
Seventh Place 111  
Tantamount 117  
Winter Counsel 114  
Mardi's Turk 115  
Kacy Bub 115  
**THIRD RACE**—8 Furlongs:  
Bustante 112  
Dashed 110  
Hadiene 122  
Caroline 110  
Tut-Tut-Tootie 107  
Str. Abbey 110  
Cadeiro 115  
No Buts 107  
**FOURTH RACE**—1 1/4 Miles:  
Adecanas 112  
Glory Note 108  
First Reader 108  
Royal Vite 113  
Par Echo 110  
Omar Sweep 110  
Idolone 120  
Custom Made 113  
**FIFTH RACE**—8 Furlongs:  
A-Ten-Ten 108  
When In Rome 110  
Free Country 109  
A-Sonnie 110  
Love Factor 116  
Sixty Dawn 118  
**SIXTH RACE**—1 Mile:  
Apple Valley 120  
Prigam 117  
Spending Spree 106  
Season's Best 109  
**SEVENTH RACE**—1 1/4 Miles:  
A-Hill 119  
Pet Bull 119  
Strandhold 117  
High Seed 113  
Cyclotron 117  
Phil D 111  
**EIGHTH RACE**—7 Furlongs:  
Bever Mc 106  
Black Rascal 120  
Duboue 114  
By Zeus 117

### FAIR GROUNDS

**FIRST RACE**—Six furlongs:  
Summer Duck 112  
Tulkinhorn 113  
Tangle 110  
Ace Battle 107  
Buster's Girl 107  
Spicy Belle 109  
Hopful Sue 107  
Fair Strike 107  
Royal Bones 112  
**SECOND RACE**—4 Miles:  
Stowdy Howdy 113  
Ridge Runner 113  
Fancy Maid 110  
Seibell 107  
Tedes 110  
E-Town 111  
Nicky 110  
Nicky 110  
**THIRD RACE**—Six furlongs:  
Mason County 113  
Older Brook 113  
Hi Anie 113  
War Dollar 105  
Section 115  
Ladole 121  
Balastr 115  
**FOURTH RACE**—Two furlongs:  
Darling 111  
Indian Light 116  
Vermilion Rose 112  
Queen's Hope 116  
Indian Singer 116  
Cannum 116  
Kate G. 116  
A-Court 116  
Miss Stella 111  
**FIFTH RACE**—Six furlongs:  
A-Miranda 109  
A-Court 116  
Lilly 110  
A-Entry 110  
A-Entry 110  
**SIXTH RACE**—Six furlongs:  
Lilly 110  
Sun Tan-Gal 109  
A-Miranda 110  
A-Entry 110  
**SEVENTH RACE**—Six furlongs:  
A-Miranda 110  
A-Court 116  
Lilly 110  
A-Entry 110  
**EIGHTH RACE**—Six furlongs:  
A-Miranda 110  
A-Court 116  
Lilly 110  
A-Entry 110

## RACE RESULTS

### SANTA ANITA

**First Race**—Mercenary (Shoemaker) \$7.00 \$4.10 \$3.00  
Aspiring (Westrop) — 2.70  
Cyclone (Longden) — 2.70  
Time—1:17.3  
**Second Race**—  
El Boy (Westrop) — \$4.40 \$5.10 \$3.80  
Prism's Owl (York) — 4.00  
Sweet As Honey (Krima) — 3.20  
Time—1:10.3  
**Third Race**—  
Peter Lane (Blum) — \$15.30 \$4.80 \$3.40  
Brightest Days (Shoemaker) — 4.20 2.80  
Mr. Mustard (Longden) — 2.90  
Time—1:08.3

### FAIR GROUNDS

**First Race**—Ma Ma Rae (Headley) \$11.80 \$5.40 \$2.40  
Fee Pat (Baldwin) — 12.00 1.00  
Down Card (Stovall) — 2.80  
Time—1:17.3  
**Second Race**—  
Worship Option (Blum) \$8.20 \$4.80 \$3.40  
Gaiter II (Heckmann) — 5.20 2.80  
Essential (Owen) — 8.80  
Time—1:14.3  
**Third Race**—  
Steve S (Heckmann) — \$13.30 \$2.50 \$2.00  
Thundering (Jenkins) — 4.40  
Zippy Joe (Wesley) — 4.40  
Time—1:18.3  
**Fourth Race**—  
Bright Penny (Kenne) \$10.30 \$4.80 \$3.40  
Tulsa (Owen) — 4.40 2.80  
Gay Polo (Hickman) — 6.00  
Time—1:15.3  
**Fifth Race**—  
Bogan (Adams) — \$12.30 \$7.40 \$3.80  
Chipwood (Boyce) — 12.00 2.80  
Judy Rounders (Heckmann) — 2.80  
Time—1:16.3  
**Sixth Race**—  
Shane (Baldwin) — \$13.30 \$11.40 \$7.20  
Daylight Time (Gambel) — 10.20 2.80  
Roodie (Cort) — 4.40  
Time—1:21.3  
**Seventh Race**—  
Fast Charger (Kenne) \$12.00 \$6.80 \$4.00  
Repelled (Jenkins) — 12.40 2.20  
Taimen (Baldwin) — 4.20  
Time—1:14.3

## Gouzenko Quiz Soon

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## SELECTIONS

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2—Tantamount, Trigger, Happy, Mt. Haro.  
3—Bilaluso, First Reader, Mr. Plate.  
4—When In Rome, Lovofor, Frosty Dawn.  
5—Program, Country Cox, Prospectin.  
6—Cyclotron, Hill Gail, High Seed.  
7—Zeus, Black Rascal, Six Fifteen.  
8—Locarno, Grass Fire, Deviation.  
Best Bet—By Zeus.

### FAIR GROUNDS

1—Royal Bones, Hopful Sue, Gay.  
2—Steady Challenger, Wright's Wrong.  
3—Highway, Hi Anie, Ladole.  
4—Dutch Darling, Miss Stella, Pyth.  
5—Red Ace, Little Don G, Miranda C.  
6—Lilly Valenti, Bagelums, Pictus.  
7—Silver, Wise Ser, Darrol Beau.  
8—Tidy Sun, Hottit, Miss Revoked.  
9—Locarno, Grass Fire, Deviation.  
Best Bet—Tidy Sun.

## 1,600 Pay Boosts

OTTAWA (BUP)—The treasury board today approved salary increases for 1,600 federal employees in some 88 civil service classifications. The action was the latest step in a general revision of federal salaries that began in November.

## 109 Polio Deaths

EDMONTON (CP)—Alberta ended 1953 with an official polio toll of 109 deaths in 1,413 cases, both all-time records. It was the worst provincial death toll in Canada this year.

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Saanich Police Sgt. Eric Elwell resigned from the force today after 23 years. He is the third member of the force to quit this week. Sgt. Cecil Pearce, a member of the force for 15 years, and Const. Robert Andrian, resigned on Tuesday.

Sgt. Elwell said he was resigning because he did "not agree with the policy of the municipal police commission" headed by Reeve Joseph Casey. "I am not resigning because of ill-health," he said. "I have a clean bill of health from two doctors."

Sgt. Elwell was one of several applicants for the post of deputy chief which the police commission awarded to Bert Pearson, municipal juvenile officer.

## Probers Agree 'Miracle' Saved 52 in Air Crash

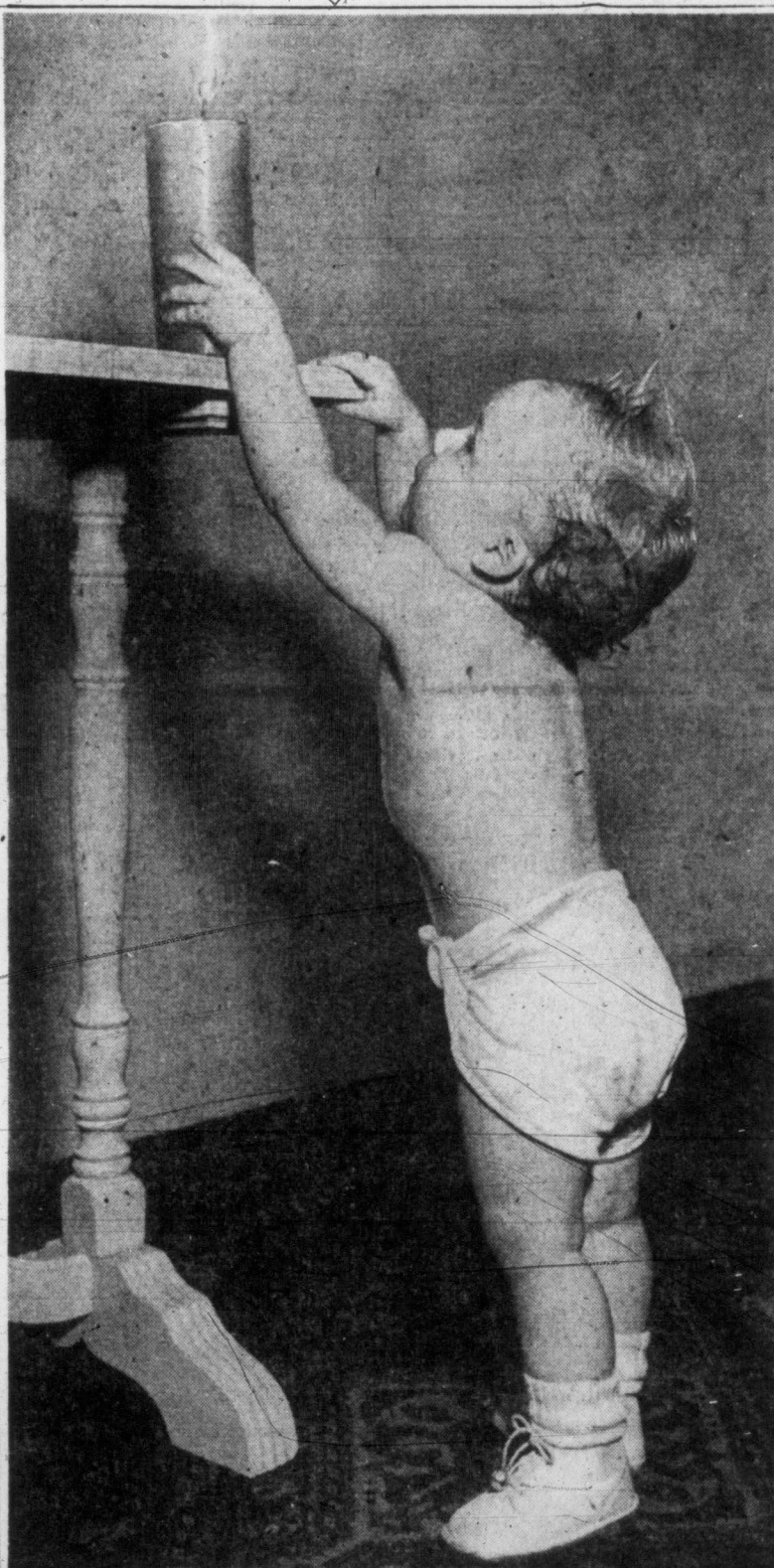
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First Baby of '53 All Set for '54

Happy New Year and Happy Birthday are one and the same for tiny Constance Doreen Joyce Drake, who was born in St. Joseph's Hospital at 1.03 a.m., Jan. 1, 1953. Her birthday candle might well serve as symbol for bright

and shining New Year for all. Constance is daughter of PO and Mrs. Ian Drake, Aloha Avenue, Esquimalt Lagoon. Father plays in Na'een-band. (Times photo by Irving Strickland.)

## Mounting Optimism Sees Old Year Out

(Compiled From AP Dispatches)

There is something new in the world tonight. Optimism.

Since the end of the Second World War eight years ago, what with the cold war and the shooting ones, there hasn't been much room for optimism.

In some areas the hot wars continue. There is still conflict aplenty between the worlds of Democracy and Communism.

In spite of all this, however, there is mounting optimism that 1953 has laid a firm foundation for better things for mankind, that 1954 may be even another step towards world peace and contentment.

Keynoting the optimism, Sir Winston Churchill, from London, says the free world's growing strength and peace aims have reduced the possibility of a third world war. "During the past 12 months," he told the Primrose League, a Conservative Party organization, in a New Year's message, "Her Majesty's government has dedicated itself to its proclaimed tasks of winning peace abroad and rebuilding the foundations of our national life at home."

"The growing strength of the free world, coupled with its desire to reach just and honorable agreements, has reduced the possibility of international conflict."

"During 1954, we intend to build further upon the good foundations laid. We shall continue to strive for peace by every means in our power."

The same theme was stressed by Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent, whose New Year's message from Ottawa contained a prayer for peace and the thought that the international

## CANADA TO BUILD MACH 2 PLANE?

TORONTO (CP)—The Telegram says in a newspaper story today that the Canadian government has placed an order with the A. V. Roe Company of Malton for a new jet fighter which will fly twice the speed of sound.

The new plane, the CF-105, something like a schoolboy's paper dart, The Telegram said. It would be a twin-engine all-weather fighter which would far outperform the present Canadian jet fighter, CF-100.

scene "is not devoid of signs of hope for the fulfillment of that future of peace and prosperity for all mankind that is our continual prayer."

## Champagne Will Flow in Moscow

Meanwhile, around the world, the gayest and biggest New Year's Eve celebrations since the end of the Second World War were in prospect—sparked by the hope that peace will have a better chance in 1954.

In Moscow, the sales of champagne tripled in comparison to last year's holiday period. In North America, theatres and night clubs expected the greatest crowds of the postwar years.

And many planned to gather in churches for watchnight services bidding farewell to the old year and praying for the peace, health and prosperity that 1953 did not assure.

Only 900 miles from the north pole, at Thule, Greenland, the end of the isolated United States base will be entertained by Arthur Godfrey and 11 of his entourage.

Despite estimates that it would cost most of a \$100 bill at New York's swankier night spots to see the old year out, most managers expected to hang out the standing-room-only sign early. The city's

night clubs, taverns and hotels took out 3,402 special "all night" permits to let guests tipple past the regulation 4 a.m. deadline. It was the greatest number ever issued.

Police prepared for the traditional midnight turnout in Times Square. Last year the crowd was estimated at 200,000 people, perhaps due to its television coverage.

European restaurants and night clubs reported sell-out business—at sky-high prices. In London's Piccadilly Circus, the statue of Eros, traditional climbing point for celebrating Britons, was boarded over. Scores of police were stationed there and in nearby Trafalgar Square, where a huge Christmas tree given to London by Oslo was to be illuminated until after midnight.

In Scotland, the usual hogmanay hilarity will ring out the old and ring in the new. Scotch whisky and the complicated custom of "first-footing" are the main features.

## IWA at Prince George Reject Lord Proposals

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C. (CP) Members of the striking International Woodworkers of America CIO-CCL at Prince George have voted to reject the settlement proposals of Judge Arthur E. Lord, union officials announced today.

The vote was 657 against and 56 for acceptance. Balloting started Monday at Prince George and other northern interior points.

Judge Lord of Vancouver was appointed by the provincial labor department to inquire into the 15-week strike in the northern interior. Some 1,600 IWA members are on strike and another 3,500 workers have been made idle by the dispute.

The county court recommended an immediate 5 1/2-cent hourly wage increase but rejected the union's demand for a union shop and compulsory checkoff of dues.

The IWA policy committee recommended rejection of the settlement proposal. The union originally demanded an 18-cent hourly pay hike.

Judge Lord will also carry out a similar investigation into the southern interior woodworkers' strike early in January. The exact date of the probe will not be set until results of voting are completed.